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1 Introduction

Background

The Coal Fired Heat Plant (CFHP) at Malmstrom Air Force Base (MAFB), MT is designed to fire both natural gas and sub-bituminous coal. To achieve this, the plant uses three generators: one designed to burn coal, one designed to burn either coal or natural gas (a “dual-fueled” unit), and one designed to burn natural gas. The three generators provide high temperature hot water (HTHW) to the entire base. The dual-fuel generator (operated with coal), and the coal-fired spreader stoker generator each have an input capacity of 106 million Btu per hour (MMBtu/hr) and an output capacity of 85 MMBtu/hr. The dual-fuel generator (operated with natural gas) and the natural-gas-fired generator can each yield a maximum output capacity of approximately 30 MMBtu/hr (for a combined total of 60 MMBtu/hr).

The use of coal at MAFB offers some operational advantages. One coal-burning generator can provide ample heat for the entire base. (In this circumstance, a second generator would serve as a standby unit.) Although MAFB uses natural gas in the spring and fall to heat the entire installation, two generators fired on gas (and operating at capacity) may not provide adequate heat for the entire base during extremely cold periods—the base must use coal to meet its winter heating needs.

Under normal operating conditions, the coal-fired generators meet the Montana Department of Environmental Quality (MDEQ) emission standards. However, under certain nonstandard conditions, the plant may exceed emission limits. During startup procedures, for example, the spray dryer absorber (SDA) and baghouse must be bypassed until the flue gas temperature reaches a level that will not cause damage to the baghouse or cause plugging of the SDA unit with slaked lime. Emission limits may often be exceeded for up to one-half hour or more during these startup periods. Emission limits may also be violated when the scrubber is bypassed while the plant is operating to remove material buildup in the SDA unit. All such periods when the permit emission limits may be exceeded are considered a violation of the MAFB Title V permit.

While the MAFB Title V Permit, Section III B.9 does make allowance for the startup operating procedures, it does not relax emission limits:

During the startup periods of boiler No. 1 and No. 3, when combusting coal, the scrubber and baghouse may be bypassed until the exhaust gas temperature reaches 350 degrees Fahrenheit, provided no emission limits are violated (ARM [Administrative Rules of Montana] 17.8.715).

MAFB tasked the U.S. Army Engineer Research and Development Center, Construction Engineering Research Laboratory (ERDC/CERL) to conduct a study to determine emission limits during startup, shutdown, malfunction, and scrubber bypass, to make appropriate recommendations to help MAFB maintain the heat plant in compliance with permit requirements at all times when fired on coal, or to recommend alternative fuels and equipment to maintain compliance.

Objectives

The objectives of part of the study were:

1. To ensure that the MAFB Heat Plant maintains emission levels, at all times, below the allowable limits established by their operating permit, State, and Federal environmental agencies.
2. If necessary, to develop a technical basis for revising the operating permit to allow reasonable emissions during system startup and shutdown.

A further objective, to be expanded in a later report, was to analyze MAFB's energy needs using HeatMap software to determine heating system alternatives.

Approach

1. *Determine emission limits qualitatively.* The team conducted a study to provide estimated amounts of pollutants emitted during startup/shutdown (SU/SD) and scrubber bypass. The study included current methods of operation and variations of current methods that may reduce emissions. Researchers estimated emissions using current fuel composition, under best case conditions using available "clean" fuels, and worst-case conditions, using AP-42 guidelines.
2. *Compare costs for all methods using current and expected fuel prices.* This comparison was based on Chapter 7 of CERL Technical Report 99/101, *NOx Evaluation of Coal-Fired Heat Plant at Malmstrom AFB, MT*.

3. *Evaluate plant modifications.* The team surveyed methods used by other similar coal fired facilities to comply with U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (USEPA) requirements. These methods were evaluated and improved where necessary to ensure that no emission limits in the MAFB permits would be violated during SU/SD, scrubber cleaning, or normal plant operation. For each acceptable method, the team determined required equipment, plant modifications, and procedural modifications. Cost analyses included equipment, materials, and labor for installation, startup, and operation. The team made recommendations based on performance/life cycle cost.
4. *Determine SIP language revision for startup and shutdown.* This task determined data and language required to request a change to the Montana SIP to allow for noncompliant periods. If no equipment was available to allow the heat plant to meet all emission requirements, the final report was to include data to support a request directed to the MDEQ to alter the SIP to allow for this non-compliant period. Any permit change will be in accordance with USEPA requirements. Revisions meet the following requirements:
 - a. The revision must be limited to specific, narrowly defined source categories using specific control strategies (e.g., cogeneration facilities burning natural gas and using selective catalytic reduction).
 - b. Use of the control strategy for this source category must be technically infeasible during startup or shutdown periods.
 - c. The frequency and duration of operation in startup or shutdown mode must be minimized to the maximum extent practicable.
 - d. Any justification of the SIP revision must include an analysis of the potential worst_case emissions that could occur during startup and shutdown.
 - e. All possible steps must be taken to minimize the impact of emissions during startup and shutdown on ambient air quality.
 - f. At all times, the facility must be operated in a manner consistent with good practice for minimizing emissions, and the source must have used best efforts regarding planning, design, and operating procedures to meet the otherwise applicable emission limitation.
 - g. The owner or operator's actions during startup and shutdown periods must be documented by properly signed, contemporaneous operating logs, or other relevant evidence.
5. *Evaluate alternative methods to coal for providing heat to Malmstrom AFB.* The team also addressed alternative methods of providing heat to the base as equip-

ment modifications may not be available to control emissions at start up and changing the SIP may not be possible:

- a. The team evaluated cost effective methods of providing heat to the base facilities with backup provisions should the primary source of fuel supply be temporarily curtailed.
 - b. The team investigated the cost of adding additional boilers needed for heat supply and backup to achieve the desired heat output if natural gas is the primary fuel source.
 - c. Decentralization of the heat supply was one method evaluated with installation of separate gas fired boilers located at each building on the base.
 - d. Other alternative considered methods included centrally fired facilities, fired on natural gas, propane, diesel, JP-8, etc., and any alternative method that would be cost effective.
 - e. Plant modifications required to accommodate the fuel types will be discussed. Additional boilers may be required to provide primary or standby units.
 - f. Detailed estimates of the decentralization alternatives and all other feasible alternates included construction costs and operating and maintenance labor costs.
6. Recommendations were made based on the best combination of fuels and equipment in lieu of coal, on cost, fuel availability, fuel source, reliability, backup fuel storage limitations, and environmental concerns.

Mode of Technology Transfer

The results of this study will be transmitted to MAFB for implementation, and will be made available through the World Wide Web (WWW) at URL:

www.cecer.army.mil

CERL will use the results of this work to provide lessons learned to other stoker CFHPs to support both Federal and private sector goals to improve air quality.

Units of Weight and Measure

U.S. standard units of measure are used throughout this report. A table of conversion factors for Standard International (SI) units is provided below.

| SI conversion factors | | |
|-----------------------|---|-----------------|
| 1 in. | = | 2.54 cm |
| 1 ft | = | 0.305 m |
| 1 gal | = | 3.78 L |
| 1 kip | = | 453 kg |
| 1 psi | = | 6.89 kPa |
| °F | = | (°C x 1.8) + 32 |

2 Emission Results

Quantitative Emission Results

Background

The Clean Air Act provides the principal framework for National, State, and local efforts to protect air quality. Under the Clean Air Act, The Office of Air Quality Planning and Standards (OAQPS) is responsible for setting standards, also known as National Ambient Air Quality Standards (NAAQS), for pollutants considered harmful to people and the environment. OAQPS is also responsible for ensuring that these air quality standards are met, or attained (in cooperation with State, Tribal, and local governments) through National standards and strategies to control pollutant emissions from automobiles, factories, and other sources. To this end, the MAFB CFHP has been permitted to operate within certain emission limitations.

Allowable Emissions

Appendix A outlines the various emission standards required by the USEPA, the MDEQ and the limits imposed in MAFB's CFHP permit.

2001 Stack Emissions Test Results

Appendix B includes a summary of the results of MAFB's most recent stack emission tests, conducted by Energy & Environmental Measurement Corp. in February 2001. Testing was done using USEPA approved methods. Appendix B gives test results, by pollutant, for each boiler. Per testing requirements, each generator was operating at 90 percent or greater of its maximum continuous rating load. The staff at MAFB has quantitatively demonstrated that they operate their CFHP at high operating loads well under the maximum emission permit limits.

Qualitative Emission Results

Background

As part of the initial investigation, CERL completed an exhaustive literature search for quantitative results of emissions testing at other coal-fired heating plants during startup and shutdown (Appendix C). This search was undertaken to discern whether other plant operators had made constructive operational and/or maintenance changes to reduce emissions to meet permit limits during startup and shutdown, and if those “Lessons Learned” might be applicable at Malmstrom AFB. The search found no published literature on the subject. One possible reason for lack of published test results is the requirement for isokinetics, matching the rate of flow up the stack with the rate at which the sample is pulled. The USEPA 40 CFR 60 Appendix A, Reference Method 1-5 requires isokinetics for stack testing. Yet, the airflow condition is neither constant nor at minimum necessary velocity during startup and shutdown. Therefore, proper testing at that point would be extremely difficult and such changing conditions would be a matter not easily or readily repeated. Consequently, any results would not be consistent and the data considered suspect. Therefore, a qualitative study of emission rates was required to determine if Malmstrom AFB could meet its permit limits.

Equipment and Emissions During Normal Coal Operations

This section considers:

- emissions of flue gas from one boiler
- coal-fired Boilers No. 1 or No. 3
- existing normal coal operation over capacity range.

Appendix D to this report includes diagrams of flue gas flow and proposed modifications discussed throughout this report. Figure D1 shows a general diagram of the components, and of air and flue gas flow for a typical coal-fired boiler. The normal coal combustion operation for Boiler No. 1 or No. 3 is in compliance with the MDEQ limits and regulations over the complete capacity range of operation. Table 1 summarizes the data condensed from Table E1 (included in Appendix E to this report). (Figure D2 shows a diagram of flue gas flow during this operation.) Table E1 also includes a summary of the equipment and emission limits if all air pollution control devices were completely bypassed (uncontrolled). In this scenario, all permit limits would be exceeded.

Table 1. Summary of estimated emissions over normal operating range, coal-fired.

| Type of Emission | USEPA Permit Limits | Plant Operational Range of Emissions |
|------------------------|---------------------|--------------------------------------|
| <i>Particulate</i> | | |
| lb/hr | 4.0 | 0.47 to 1.88 |
| Opacity, % | 20% | 5% to 5% |
| <i>Nitrogen oxides</i> | | |
| lb/MMBTU heat input | 0.50 | 0.35 to 0.31 |
| lb/hr | 53.0 | 12.4 to 32.9 |
| <i>Sulfur oxides</i> | | |
| lb/MMBtu Heat Input | 0.32 | 0.29 to 0.19 |
| lb/hr | 33.9 | 6.80 to 18.05 |

Table 2. Summary of estimated emissions over normal operating range, natural gas-fired

| Type of Emission | USEPA Permit Limits | Plant Operational Range of Emissions |
|------------------------|---------------------|--------------------------------------|
| <i>Particulate</i> | | |
| lb/hr | 4.0 | 0.01 To 0.07 |
| Opacity, % | 20% | 0% To 2% |
| <i>Nitrogen oxides</i> | | |
| lb/MMBTU heat input | 0.50 | 0.07 To 0.11 |
| lb/hr | 53.0 | 0.52 To 2.37 |
| <i>Sulfur oxides</i> | | |
| lb/MMBTU heat input | 0.32 | 0.00067 |
| lb/hr | 33.9 | 0.0031 To 0.0226 |

Equipment and Emissions During Normal Natural Gas Operations

This section considers:

- emissions of flue gas from one boiler
- natural gas-fired Boiler No. 1 or No. 2
- existing normal natural gas operation over capacity range.

The normal natural gas combustion operation for boiler No. 1 or No. 2 is in compliance with the MDEQ limits and regulations over the complete capacity range of operation. Figure D3 shows a diagram of flue gas flow during natural gas operation. Normal natural gas operation bypasses the baghouse and SDA. Table 2 summarizes the data condensed from Table E2. Table E2 also includes a summary of the equipment and emission limits if all air pollution control devices were completely bypassed (uncontrolled). In this scenario, all permit limits were met. (The limits of particulate and sulfur oxides are normally not tested because the inaccuracy of the test is greater than the emissions.)

Equipment and Emissions During Startup and Shutdown (SU/SD)

Typical CFHP 5-hr Startup

This section considers:

- emissions of flue gas from one boiler
- normal 5-hr coal startup of existing equipment.

Note that this is not Malmstrom AFB's current operational startup procedure. However, this is a typical startup cycle for most coal-fired boilers. The startup of most coal fired stoker boilers requires a minimum of 5 hours. The ASME boiler and pressure vessel code recommends that the pressure parts of drums, headers, and tubes of a fired pressure vessel must be heated sufficiently and slowly to prevent injury to personnel or failure of the pressure parts. Schmidt Associates, Inc. (engineer consultants) was asked by Ford Motor Company to provide a technical summary of the importance of a minimum 5-hr startup. Appendix F includes a copy of this 1991 letter in its entirety.

This startup should form the standard (and basis for comparison) for all other systems. If the baghouse is put into operation at the initial operation of coal combustion, the nitrogen oxides and sulfur oxides must be addressed in relation to startup. Tables 3, 4, and 5 summarize the data condensed from Table E3. Emission limits are exceeded for particulates, opacity, NO_x, and Sox during the first 3 hours. During an uncontrolled situation, all other emission limits are exceeded as well. Figure D4 shows a diagrams of flue gas flow during this operation.

Table 3. Summary of estimated emissions during the first 3 hr of a normal 5-hr startup, coal-fired.

| Type of Emission | USEPA Permit Limits | Plant Operational Range of Emissions |
|-------------------------|----------------------------|---|
| <i>Particulate</i> | | |
| lb/hr | 4.0 | 8.0 to 21.24 |
| Opacity, % | 20% | 80% to 50% |
| <i>Nitrogen oxides</i> | | |
| lb/MMBtu heat input | 0.50 | 0.75 to 1.00 |
| lb/hr | 53.0 | 8.00 to 16.43 |
| <i>Sulfur oxides</i> | | |
| lb/MMBtu heat input | 0.32 | 0.57 |
| lb/hr | 33.9 | 4.56 to 12.48 |

Table 4. Summary of estimated emissions during the 4th and 5th hours of a normal 5-hr start-up, coal-fired.

| Type of Emission | USEPA Permit Limits | Plant Operational Range of Emissions |
|------------------------|---------------------|--------------------------------------|
| <i>Particulate</i> | | |
| lb/hr | 4.0 | 0.53 to 0.60 |
| Opacity, % | 20% | 5% |
| <i>Nitrogen oxides</i> | | |
| lb/MMBtu heat input | 0.50 | 0.40 to 0.50 |
| lb/hr | 53.0 | 12.00 to 13.25 |
| <i>Sulfur oxides</i> | | |
| lb/MMBtu heat input | 0.32 | 0.192 to 0.38 |
| lb/hr | 33.9 | 5.76 to 10.07 |

Table 5. Summary of estimated emissions during a normal startup, coal-fired.

| Type of Emission | USEPA Permit Limits | Plant Operational Hourly Average Emissions |
|------------------------|---------------------|--|
| <i>Particulate</i> | | |
| lb/hr | 4.0 | 8.95 |
| Opacity, % | 20% | 40% |
| <i>Nitrogen oxides</i> | | |
| lb/MMBtu heat input | 0.50 | 0.62 |
| lb/hr | 53.0 | 12.53 |
| <i>Sulfur oxides</i> | | |
| lb/MMBtu heat input | 0.32 | 0.41 |
| lb/hr | 33.9 | 8.22 |

Table 4 summarizes the fourth and fifth hours of the normal 5-hr startup. These 2 hr of a normal 5-hr startup are in compliance (except one-half hour of sulfur oxides). Table 5 summarizes the entire five 5-hr startup (the 5-hr average of emissions). Note that these 5 hr average emissions of a normal 5-hr startup are non-compliant. Figure D5 shows a diagrams of flue gas flow during the fourth and fifth hours of operation.

MAFB CFHP 3-hr Startup

This section considers:

- emissions of flue gas from one boiler
- coal-fired Boiler No. 1 or No. 3
- a 3-hr coal startup of existing equipment
- circulating HTHW for 5 hr before coal light off.

This is Malmstrom AFB's current operational startup procedure. The startup of MAFB's coal-fired stoker boiler is normally shortened to 3 hr. The following steps are taken to achieve the 3-hr startup time:

1. The plant will start up and operate in the fall (01 to 14 October) on natural gas combustion either on Boiler No. 1 or Unit No. 2.
2. They slowly increase the HTHW to 350 °F over a week to 10 days. The stack emissions are in compliance for all regulated limits because the plant is firing natural gas only. See Appendix E.
3. When the heating load of the system increases sufficiently, a coal-fired HTHW boiler is prepared for startup by circulating 350 to 400 °F HTHW through the unit for 5 hr or longer. The circulating 350 to 400 °F HTHW warms up the ASME code pressure parts to 75 percent of the final temperature.

During the first hour of coal combustion for the 3-hr startup, the spray dryer and baghouse are bypassed to warm up the mechanical dust collector and air heater. Tables 6, 7, and 8 summarize the data condensed from Table E4. During the first hour of operation, the CFHP exceeds its permit limits for particulates, opacity, SO_x, and NO_x. Figure D6 shows diagrams of flue gas flow during this operation.

During the second and third hour of coal combustion for the 3-hr startup, the flue gas flows through the spray dryer and baghouse (Table 7). The spray dryer has chemical feed or sulfur oxide reduction for only 1½ hr of the 2 hr. When the baghouse and spray dryer are engaged (the second and third hours), the CFHP meets all its permit limits. Table 8 lists the 3-hr average emissions (which are noncompliant). Figure D7 shows a diagrams of flue gas flow during the second and third hours of operation.

Shutdown

This section considers:

- emissions of flue gas from one boiler
- coal-fired Boiler No. 1 or No. 3
- shutdown of coal boiler and pollution control equipment.

Table 6. Summary of estimated emissions during MAFB'S first hour startup, coal-fired.

| Type of Emission | USEPA Permit Limits | Plant Operational Range of Emissions |
|------------------------|---------------------|--------------------------------------|
| <i>Particulate</i> | | |
| lb/hr | 4.0 | 20.56 |
| Opacity, % | 20% | 65% |
| <i>Nitrogen oxides</i> | | |
| lb/Btu Heat Input | 0.50 | 0.75 |
| lb/hr | 53.0 | 15.90 |
| <i>Sulfur oxides</i> | | |
| lb/Btu Heat Input | 0.32 | 0.57 |
| lb/hr | 33.9 | 12.08 |

Table 7. Summary of estimated emissions during MAFB'S 2^d and 3^d hour startup, coal-fired.

| Type of Emission | USEPA Permit Limits | Plant Operational Range of Emissions |
|------------------------|---------------------|--------------------------------------|
| <i>Particulate</i> | | |
| lb/hr | 4.0 | 0.53 to 0.60 |
| Opacity, % | 20% | 5% |
| <i>Nitrogen oxides</i> | | |
| lb/MMBtu Heat Input | 0.50 | 0.50 to 0.40 |
| lb/hr | 53.0 | 13.25 to 12.00 |
| <i>Sulfur oxides</i> | | |
| lb/MMBtu Heat Input | 0.32 | 0.38 to 0.192 |
| lb/hr | 33.9 | 10.07 to 5.76 |

Table 8. Summary of estimated emissions during MAFB's start-up, coal-fired.

| Type of Emission | USEPA Permit Limits | Plant Operational Hourly Average Emissions |
|------------------------|---------------------|--|
| <i>Particulate</i> | | |
| lb/hr | 4.0 | 7.23 |
| Opacity, % | 20% | 25% |
| <i>Nitrogen oxides</i> | | |
| lb/MMBtu heat input | 0.50 | 0.53 |
| lb/hr | 53.0 | 13.72 |
| <i>Sulfur oxides</i> | | |
| lb/MMBtu heat input | 0.32 | 0.36 |
| lb/hr | 33.9 | 9.30 |

The CFHP uses the following sequence during the shutdown of Boiler No. 1 and Boiler No. 3 when firing coal:

1. Reduce boiler load to minimum fire for 1 hr with the spray dryer and baghouse in operation.
2. After 1 hr a minimum load, stop feeding coal by pulling the coal feeder “dogs” and stop the coal grate travel.
3. Five minutes after stopping coal feed and grate, stop forced draft fan.
4. After 10 minutes after stopping coal feed and grate, stop induced, draft fan and chemical feed to spray dryer.
5. Boiler is now allowed to cool down and no emissions are emitted.

Table 9 lists the results condensed from Table E5. The CFHP remains in compliance during shutdown. However, if the plant were in an uncontrolled situation, it would not be in compliance.

Table 9. Summary of estimated emissions during MAFB’s shutdown, coal-fired.

| Type of Emission | USEPA Permit Limits | Plant Operational Range of Emissions |
|------------------------|---------------------|--------------------------------------|
| <i>Particulate</i> | | |
| lb/hr | 4.0 | 0.04 to 0.47 |
| Opacity, % | 20% | 0.8% to 5% |
| <i>Nitrogen oxides</i> | | |
| lb/MMBtu heat input | 0.50 | 0.35 |
| lb/hr | 53.0 | 0.70 to 8.26 |
| <i>Sulfur oxides</i> | | |
| lb/MMBtu heat input | 0.32 | 0.05 to 0.29 |
| lb/hr | 33.9 | 0.10 to 6.84 |

Table 10. Summary of estimated emission rates during a malfunction at the CFHP.

| Type of Emission | USEPA Permit Limits | Plant Operational Range of Emissions |
|------------------------|---------------------|--------------------------------------|
| <i>Particulate</i> | | |
| lb/hr | 4.0 | 0.04 to 20.56 |
| Opacity, % | 20% | 0.8% to 65% |
| <i>Nitrogen oxides</i> | | |
| lb/MMBtu heat input | 0.50 | 0.35 to 0.75 |
| lb/hr | 53.0 | 0.70 to 15.90 |
| <i>Sulfur oxides</i> | | |
| lb/MMBtu heat input | 0.32 | 0.05 to 0.57 |
| lb/hr | 33.9 | 0.10 to 12.08 |

Malfunction of Air Pollution Control Equipment

Malfunction During Current Operations

Almost any malfunction in the CFHP's current configuration would cause the plant to exceed its permit limits. During higher heating loads, the CFHP would immediately have to start-up another coal-fired boiler using current procedures. Emission rates would be similar to those found in Table 10 (condensed form Tables E4 and E5). Table 10 summarizes the results of the 3-hr changeover with the existing air heater combustion air ductwork. In its current design, the CFHP will exceed emission limits during a malfunction. Figure D8 shows a diagram of flue gas flow during this operation.

Malfunction During Options A and B

This section considers:

- emissions of flue gas from one boiler
- coal fired Boiler No. 1 or No. 3
- coal boiler malfunction with bypass to Boiler No. 2 spray
- dryer and baghouse with revised breeching and ductwork.

Boiler No. 1 and No. 3 would each have additional flue gas breeching installed to allow the flue gas from each of the air heater outlets to flow to Boiler No. 2 spray dryer and baghouse. This breeching would be used in the event of a malfunction of the spray dryer or baghouse that serves either Boiler No. 1 or No. 3.

The baghouse serving Boiler No. 2 would become a "sacrificial" baghouse in terms of bag life. Switching the flue gas flow from Boiler No. 1 or Boiler No. 3 into the cold spray dryer and baghouse of Boiler No. 2 will cause acid condensation until the system temperature stabilizes. This will require more frequent bag replacement in baghouse of Boiler No. 2.

There are usually a couple hours of poor operating indications of the spray dryer for Boiler No. 1 or Boiler No. 3 before their malfunction. This will allow time to startup Boiler No. 2 on natural gas and warm-up spray dryer and baghouse for Boiler No. 2. (Note: The operators have never had an immediate failure of the spray dryer)

When either Boiler No. 1 or No. 3 individual baghouses are failing, the opacity (stack particulate light density) increases. The plant personnel have adequate warnings of opacity change during the cleaning cycle. When a single bag fails, the stack opacity will increase slightly. As more bags slowly begin to fail over

hours or days, the opacity continues to increase. Complete failure is not immediate. The operators have ample time to take corrective action.

The proposed malfunction bypass procedure for Boiler No. 3* is:

1. Warm up Boiler No. 2 (natural gas) and bring unit on-line with flue gas flowing through and warming Boiler No. 2 spray dryer, baghouse, and induced fan.
2. Reduce the load on Boiler No. 3 to minimum firing rate and increase the load on Boiler No. 2.
3. Quickly switch the natural gas combustion flue gas for Boiler No. 2 from Boiler No. 2 induced draft fan to Boiler No. 2 auxiliary induced draft fan.
4. Change flue gas flow from Boiler No. 3 spray dryer and baghouse to Boiler No. 2 spray dryer and baghouse and allow system to warm up for 15 minutes without feeding chemicals to spray dryer.
5. After 15 minutes of Boiler No. 2 spray dryer and baghouse warm-up, begin feeding chemicals to spray dryer.
6. After 1-½ hr of feeding chemicals to Boiler No. 2 spray dryer, increase the load on Boiler No. 3 and decrease the load on Boiler No. 2 for shutdown.

Table 11 (condensed from Table E6) summarizes emission rates over the 3-hr changeover with new air heater combustion air bypass ductwork. This proposed plant modification is discussed in the following chapter (as Options A and B). Figures D9 and D10 show diagrams of flue gas flow during this operation.

The particulate, nitrogen oxides, and sulfur oxides emission limits are all in compliance during a baghouse or SDA malfunction. In the event of a boiler malfunction, such as loss of a coal feeder, the nitrogen oxides emissions may increase to 1.0 lb/MMBtu and the boiler will be out of compliance. This is due to the inability of immediately switching to natural gas fuel and reducing coal combustion emissions. In Option A, an existing rear wall burner is in Boiler No. 1 only; the boiler must be shut down and cooled to change over from coal to natural gas firing. Option B specifies a new sidewall burner in Boiler No. 1 and Boiler No. 3, but this burner is retracted during coal operation. The ability to dual-fire completely on natural gas would take a minimum of 1 hr.

* This procedure can also be used for Boiler No. 1 burning coal.

Option C includes two sidewall burners (which are not retracted) in Boilers No. 1 and No. 3. During a coal feeder malfunction, the burners can immediately be turned on while the coal feeding is stopped. This is the only option where compliance can be achieved at all times.

Table 11. Summary of estimated emission rates during a malfunction at the CFHP for Options A and B.

| Type of Emission | USEPA Permit Limits | Plant Operational Range of Emissions |
|------------------------|---------------------|--------------------------------------|
| <i>Particulate</i> | | |
| lb/hr | 4.0 | 0.47 |
| Opacity, % | 20% | 5% |
| <i>Nitrogen oxides</i> | | |
| lb/MMBtu heat input | 0.50 | 0.35 |
| lb/hr | 53.0 | 8.26 |
| <i>Sulfur oxides</i> | | |
| lb/MMBtu heat input | 0.32 | 0.18 to 0.28 |
| lb/hr | 33.9 | 4.25 to 6.61 |

3 Plant and Operation Modifications Analysis

The different methods reviewed in this study were evaluated for acquisition costs, implementation costs, and projected emissions. Appendix G provides detailed construction cost estimates for:

- opacity monitor modifications for all options
- combustion air revision
- demolition
- structural roof
- new flue gas breeching (control dampers, isolation dampers & expansion joints)
- one new sidewall burner for Boilers No. 1 and No. 3
- two new sidewall burners for Boilers No. 1 and No. 3.

Explanation of Life-Cycle Costs

Life-cycle costing for the existing operation and options was performed using WinLCCID Version 1.6 Build 58. Energy costs were escalated using the rates in the program that were taken from NIST Handbook 135 Supplement (April 1999). Labor and other operating costs were escalated using an inflation factor of 2.5 percent/year. Future costs were reduced to their present value equivalents using the programs discount rate of 2.85 percent. Appendix H outlines the life-cycle cost analysis for the revised operation.

Existing Operation Summary

This is the “status quo” option, with the exception of opacity monitor modifications. Fuel usage and the other operating costs were taken from plant records for the year 2000. The only capital expenditure cost is for modifying the opacity monitors for improved accuracy. Emission rates remain unchanged; the CFHP will exceed permit limits during startup and during a malfunction of either boiler No. 1 or No. 3 if there is no bypass to the air heater.

Opacity monitors are installed on the exhaust stacks associated with Boilers No. 1, No. 2, and No. 3. The opacity monitor associated with Boiler No. 2 is an older model and will be replaced to match the monitors installed for Boilers No. 1 and No. 3. These monitors are located downstream of the baghouse and induced draft fan in the stack at the test port location (platform). With the exception of Boiler No. 2, these instruments were installed recently (1999) and replaced similar instruments in the same weatherproof enclosures. Malmstrom AFB has been experiencing opacity exceedances that occur when fog is present. Researchers noted that these exceedances may be unrelated to flue gas opacity, but may instead be due to fogging on the mirrors and other optical surfaces within the opacity analyzers. The analyzer manufacturer has confirmed that this may occur when water vapor is drawn into the instrument through the purge air intake. This explanation is supported by the fact that the purge air blowers on these units are unheated.

To reduce or eliminate these apparent exceedances, the purge air must be free of significant amounts of water vapor or entrained moisture. In addition, the purge air and the analyzer surfaces should be heated so that the optical surfaces do not reach a temperature relatively low enough for condensation. These recommended changes should help to accomplish this:

1. The weatherproof enclosures must be properly sealed to eliminate the entrance of water, insulated, and heated using self-limiting electrical heat tape. This will keep the electronics package as well as the light source, receiver and mirror package at a temperature high enough to prevent condensation.
2. The purge air inlet should be extended down through the roof. The existing filter should be examined to verify that it is within specification. (The filter media should reject particles larger than 10 microns.) The filter should also be installed at an accessible location within the boiler plant. All purge air piping above the roof level should be insulated.

Tables 12 and 13 summarize the costs and emissions compliance outcome for the “status quo” option.

Revised Plant Operation with Combustion Air System Modifications

The flue gas temperature at the air heater outlet of the HTHW boiler is too low. The air heater outlet flue gas temperatures are 50 °F below the original manufacturer’s predictions. Prior test data shows that the air heater outlet flue gas temperature ranges from 310 °F at full boiler load to 245 °F at minimum boiler load when firing coal.

Table 12. Cost summary for “status quo” option.

| Equipment / Materials / Parameters | Cost |
|---|--------------|
| <i>Capitol cost</i> | |
| Opacity monitor modifications not including engineering | \$105,800 |
| Operating costs per year | |
| <i>Fuel</i> | |
| Coal (5,500 tons @ \$72.00/ton) | \$396,012 |
| Natural gas (156,868 MCF @ \$0.89/therm) | \$1,242,551 |
| <i>Operating and maintenance labor</i> | \$845,000 |
| Ash disposal | \$54,058 |
| Maintenance material | \$90,000 |
| Electrical power (boiler system only) | \$18,659 |
| Lime | \$5,142 |
| Total operating costs | \$2,651,422 |
| Life cycle cost (25 years) | \$55,601,084 |

Table 13. Emission compliance summary for “status quo” option.

| Emission Compliant | Startup | Shutdown | Malfunction |
|--------------------|--------------|-----------|--------------|
| Opacity | Noncompliant | Compliant | Noncompliant |
| Particulate | Noncompliant | Compliant | Noncompliant |
| NOx | Noncompliant | Compliant | Noncompliant |
| SO ₂ | Noncompliant | Compliant | Noncompliant |

Removal of SO₂ using the spray dryer is optimized when the flue gas temperature is greater than 300 °F. The current plant operation is to burn natural gas at lower boiler loads to avoid spray dryer operational problems and ensure SO₂ emission compliance.

By modifying the combustion air system, the flue gas temperature can be controlled above 300 °F over the boiler operating range. Some of the combustion air would be bypassed around the air heater to increase the flue gas temperature to the spray dryer. The forced draft fan was sized for the additional pressure drop of a hot water coil preheater, which is not used and has been abandoned. The addition of a variable frequency drive to the forced draft fan will allow improved control of combustion air pressure at reduced boiler loads.

Modifications of the combustion air system will allow more coal to be burned at lower boiler loads. This revised plant operation would also use the opacity monitor modifications for improved accuracy. These specific plant modifications would lower overall fuel costs, but would not reduce emission limits below permit levels during startup and shutdown. Tables 14 and 15 summarize the costs and emissions compliance outcome for the plant modifications.

Table 14. Cost summary for plant modifications.

| Equipment / Materials / Parameters | Cost |
|--|--------------|
| <i>Capital cost</i> | |
| Opacity monitor modifications | \$105,800 |
| Air heater modifications | \$544,300 |
| Total capital cost not including engineering | \$650,100 |
| <i>Operating costs per year</i> | |
| Fuel: | |
| Coal: 9,966 tons @ \$72.00/ton | \$717,561 |
| Natural gas : 31,420 MCF @ \$0.89/therm | \$248,878 |
| Operating and maintenance labor | \$845,000 |
| Ash disposal | \$97,952 |
| Maintenance material | \$90,000 |
| Electrical power (boiler system only) | \$30,025 |
| Lime | \$9,316 |
| Total operating costs | \$2,038,732 |
| <i>Life cycle cost (25 years)</i> | \$42,706,477 |

Table 15. Emission compliance summary for plant modifications.

| Emission Compliant | Startup | Shutdown | Malfunction |
|--------------------|--------------|-----------|--------------|
| Opacity | Noncompliant | Compliant | Noncompliant |
| Particulate | Noncompliant | Compliant | Noncompliant |
| NOX | Noncompliant | Compliant | Noncompliant |
| SO ₂ | Noncompliant | Compliant | Noncompliant |

Option A: 3-hr Coal Startup with Revised Breeching and Ductwork

This method would use the revised operation (Revised Plant Operation with Combustion Air System Modifications as listed above) for operating costs as well as the opacity monitor and air heater modifications. In addition, the flue gas breeching would be modified for boiler warm-up and system malfunction.

Natural gas fired Boiler No. 2 would be warmed up to temperature and brought on-line. The high temperature hot water produced by Boiler No. 2 would be circulated through Boiler No. 1 or Boiler No. 3 to preheat the boiler setting prior to coal light-off. The flue gases from Boiler No. 2 would be ducted to the spray dryer and baghouse of Boiler No. 1 or Boiler No. 3 to preheat them prior to startup. This will greatly reduce the time required to bring the system up to temperature for spray dryer operation.

This same flue gas breeching would be used in the event of a malfunction of the spray dryer or baghouse on Boiler No. 1 or Boiler No. 3. The boiler operators have a 2 to 3 hr time period from when the signs of a malfunction become apparent before a malfunction actually occurs. During this time period, Boiler No. 2 would be fired to preheat the spray dryer and baghouse serving Boiler No. 2. The flue gases from Boiler No. 1 or Boiler No. 3 would then be ducted to the spray dryer and baghouse of Boiler No. 2.

Boiler No. 2 is equipped only with a natural gas burner. The proposed startup of coal fired Boiler No. 1 or No. 3 would be:

1. Circulate HTHW from Boiler No. 2 (natural gas) through the proposed coal fired boiler (Boiler No. 3 for example) for 5 hr or more. The pressure parts in Boiler No. 3 will increase to 350 °F.
2. Increase the natural gas combustion on Boiler No. 2 to 38 MMBtu/hr heat input (100 percent capacity). The time of this combustion is 1 hr or more.
3. Through interconnecting breeching cause the natural gas flue gas at 320 °F from Boiler No. 2 to flow through the spray dryer, baghouse, and induced draft fan of Boiler No. 3. This hot (320 °F) flue gas will heat up the spray dryer, baghouse, breeching and induced draft fan of Boiler No. 3. The time for this natural gas combustion warmup will be 2 hr or more.
4. The first hour of coal combustion of Boiler No. 3 will also include natural gas combustion from Boiler No. 2. The combined flue gas from Boiler No. 3 and Boiler No. 2 will flow through the spray dryer, baghouse, breeching, and induced draft fan of Boiler No. 3.

Table 16 lists the emission rates during the 1st hour of startup for Option A. (All emissions are in compliance.)

The second and third hour of coal combustion of Boiler No. 3 will also include natural gas combustion from Boiler No. 2. The combined flue gas from Boiler No. 3 and Boiler No. 2 will flow through the spray dryer, baghouse, breeching, and induced draft fan of boiler No. 3. Table 17 lists a summary of emission rates during the 2^d and 3^d hours of startup for Option A. Figures D11 through D15 show diagrams of flue gas flow during this operation. Tables 18 and 19 summarize the costs and emissions compliance outcome for the Option A.

Table 16. Summary of estimated emission rates during 1st hour startup for Option A.

| Type of Emission | USEPA Permit Limits | Plant Operational Range of Emissions |
|------------------------|---------------------|--------------------------------------|
| <i>Particulate</i> | | |
| lb/hr | 4.0 | 0.50 |
| Opacity, % | 20% | 5% or less |
| <i>Nitrogen oxides</i> | | |
| lb/MMBtu heat input | 0.50 | 0.33 |
| lb/hr | 53.0 | 19.70 |
| <i>Sulfur oxides</i> | | |
| lb/MMBtu heat input | 0.32 | 0.100 |
| lb/hr | 33.9 | 5.93 |

Table 17. Summary of estimated emission rates during 2^d and 3^d hour startup for Option A.

| Type of Emission | USEPA Permit Limits | Plant Operational Range of Emissions |
|------------------------|---------------------|--------------------------------------|
| <i>Particulate</i> | | |
| lb/hr | 4.0 | 0.606 to 0.676 |
| Opacity, % | 20% | 5% |
| <i>Nitrogen oxides</i> | | |
| lb/MMBtu heat input | 0.50 | 0.26 to 0.23 |
| lb/hr | 53.0 | 15.80 to 17.05 |
| <i>Sulfur oxides</i> | | |
| lb/MMBtu heat input | 0.32 | 0.075 to 0.080 |
| lb/hr | 33.9 | 4.81 to 5.44 |

Table 18. Cost summary for Option A.

| Equipment / Materials / Parameters | Cost |
|--|--------------|
| <i>Capital cost</i> | |
| Opacity monitor modifications | \$ 105,800 |
| Air heater modifications | \$ 544,300 |
| Breeching modifications | \$ 1,000,200 |
| Demolition of existing breeching | \$ 135,500 |
| Structural supports | \$ 234,900 |
| Total capital cost not including engineering | \$ 2,020,700 |
| <i>Operating costs per year</i> | |
| Fuel: | |
| Coal: 9,966 tons @ \$72.00/ton | \$ 717,561 |
| Natural gas: 31,420 MCF @ \$0.89/therm | \$ 248,878 |
| Operating and maintenance labor | \$ 845,000 |
| Ash disposal | \$ 97,952 |
| Maintenance material | \$ 90,000 |
| Electrical power (boiler system only) | \$ 30,025 |
| Lime | \$ 9,316 |
| Total operating costs | \$ 2,038,732 |
| <i>Life Cycle Cost (25 years)</i> | \$44,077,077 |

Table 19. Emission compliance summary for Option A.

| Emission Compliant | Startup | Shutdown | Malfunction |
|---------------------------|----------------|-----------------|--------------------|
| Opacity | Compliant | Compliant | Compliant |
| Particulate | Compliant | Compliant | Compliant |
| NOX | Compliant | Compliant | Noncompliant |
| SO ₂ | Compliant | Compliant | Compliant |

Startup estimated emission rates are listed in Table E7. This option provides permit compliance for startup, operation at all operating loads, shutdown, and malfunction of the baghouse or SDA. A malfunction of the boiler will cause the plant to exceed nitrogen oxide emission limitations.

Option B: 3-hr Coal Startup with New Burner

Option B uses the same operating costs as the revised operation (Revised Plant Operation of Combustion Air System) and the capital costs of Option A with the addition of new natural gas burners for Boilers No. 1 and No. 3.

Boiler No. 1 is equipped with a 38 MMBtu/hr heat input existing burner located in the rear wall. This burner is much too large to be used as a startup burner and requires the grate and coal feeders to be bricked over to prevent overheating from the burner radiant heat. To burn coal, the grate and feeders have to be unbricked and a refractory plug installed over the burner. This plug is required to protect the burner from the coal-firing radiant heat, as the burner has no provision for cooling air. The changeover from coal to natural gas firing takes an 8-hr shift after the boiler has cooled down.

The proposed option is to install a single natural gas-fired, 25 MMBtu/hr heat input, burner in the sidewall of Boilers No. 1 and No. 3. This burner will allow the startup of Boilers No. 1 and No. 3 without using Boiler No. 2. The boiler sidewall tubes would be bent for burner clearance. The burner would have a retractable mounting for refractory plug installation from outside the boiler when firing coal and would not require that the grate and coal feeders be bricked.

The breeching modifications would allow the flue gases from Boiler No. 1 or Boiler No. 3 to be ducted to the spray dryer and baghouse of Boiler No. 2 in the event of a malfunction.

Boilers No. 1 and No. 3 would each have proposed small natural gas burners of 25 MMBtu/hr heat input. The proposed startup of boiler No. 3 is:

1. Circulate HTHW from Boiler No. 2 (natural gas) through Boiler No. 3 for 5 hr or more. The pressure parts in Boiler No. 3 will increase to 350 °F.
2. Warm up Boiler No. 3 with 10 MMBtu/hr heat input with the natural gas burner only. This warm-up is for the mechanical dust collector and air heater, bypassing the spray dryer and baghouse of Boiler No. 3. This warm-up is for an hour or greater. All environmental limits are in compliance.
3. Continue to warm up Boiler No. 3, increasing the heat input to 25 MMBtu/hr with natural gas only. The flue gas flow will now be through the spray dryer, baghouse, breeching, and induced draft fan of Boiler No. 3. This warm-up is for 2 additional hours (2^d & 3^d hours). The chemical feed to the spray dryer can be started at the end of the 3^d hour. All environmental limits are in compliance.
4. The first 3 hr of coal combustion will also include the natural gas burner operation to ensure adequate flue gas temperature to the spray dryer for sulfur oxide removal.

Table 20 summarizes the estimated emission rates over the first 3 hours of coal combustion. (All emissions are in compliance all the time.) Figures D16 through D19 provide diagrams of flue gas flow during this operation.

Startup emission rates are listed in Table E8. This option provides permit compliance for startup, operation at all loads, shutdown, and malfunction of the baghouse or SDA. A malfunction of the boiler will probably cause the plant to exceed nitrogen oxides emission limitations. Tables 21 and 22 summarize the costs and emissions compliance outcome for the Option B.

Table 20. Summary of estimated emissions during startup for Option B.

| Type of Emission | USEPA Permit Limits | Plant Operational Range of Emissions |
|------------------------|---------------------|--------------------------------------|
| <i>Particulate</i> | | |
| lb/hr | 4.0 | 0.464 to 0.640 |
| Opacity, % | 20% | 5% |
| <i>Nitrogen oxides</i> | | |
| lb/MMBtu heat input | 0.50 | 0.42 to 0.27 |
| lb/hr | 53.0 | 17.30 to 13.40 |
| <i>Sulfur Oxides</i> | | |
| lb/MMBtu heat input | 0.32 | 0.116 to 0.099 |
| lb/hr | 33.9 | 4.09 to 5.780 |

Table 21. Cost summary for Option B.

| Equipment / Materials / Parameters | Cost |
|--|--------------|
| <i>Capital cost</i> | |
| Opacity monitor modifications | \$105,800 |
| Air heater modifications | \$544,300 |
| Breeching demolition | \$135,500 |
| Breeching structural supports | \$234,900 |
| Breeching modifications | \$1,000,200 |
| New sidewall burners | \$530,200 |
| Total capital cost not including engineering | \$2,550,900 |
| <i>Operating costs per year</i> | |
| Fuel: | |
| Coal: 9,966 tons @ \$72.00/ton | \$717,561 |
| Natural gas: 31,420 MCF @ \$0.89/therm | \$248,878 |
| Operating and maintenance labor | \$845,000 |
| Ash disposal | \$97,952 |
| Maintenance material | \$90,000 |
| Electrical power (boiler system only) | \$30,025 |
| Lime | \$9,316 |
| Total operating costs | \$2,038,732 |
| <i>Life cycle cost (25 years)</i> | \$44,607,277 |

Table 22. Emission compliance summary for Option B.

| Emission Compliant | Startup | Shutdown | Malfunction |
|---------------------------|----------------|-----------------|--------------------|
| Opacity | Compliant | Compliant | Compliant |
| Particulate | Compliant | Compliant | Compliant |
| NOX | Compliant | Compliant | Noncompliant |
| SO ₂ | Compliant | Compliant | Compliant |

Option C: Install Two Natural Gas-Fired (25 MMBtu/hr) Burners in Boilers No. 1 and No. 3

This method uses the same operating costs as the revised operation (Revised Plant Operation of Combustion Air System). The capital costs include opacity monitor modifications, combustion air modifications, and new natural gas burners for Boilers No. 1 and No. 3.

The proposed option is to install two (2) natural gas-fired, 25 MMBtu/hr heat input, burners in both Boilers No. 1 and No. 3. These burners would be installed in opposite sidewalls of the boiler and would allow the startup of Boilers No. 1 and No. 3 without using Boiler No. 2. The boiler sidewall tubes would be bent

for burner clearance. The burners would have provisions for cooling air recirculating flue gas (after baghouse) and would not require a refractory plug or brick-ing the grate and coal feeders for operation on coal. The burners will allow each boiler to provide 40 MMBtu/hr of heat output.

The interconnecting breeching proposed in Options A and B would not be re-quired. In the event of a Boiler No. 3 spray dryer or baghouse malfunction, the burners on Boiler No. 3 would be started to provide 40 MMBtu/hr heat output. The natural gas flue gas would travel through Boiler No. 3 spray dryer and bag-house. At the same time, Boiler No. 2 would be started and brought on-line to provide 30 MMBtu/hr heat output. The combined output of Boiler No. 3 on natu-ral gas and Boiler No. 2 on natural gas would carry a plant load of 70 MMBtu/hr. Once Boiler No. 2 is up to load, Boiler No. 1 would be started in order to shut-down Boiler No. 3 for repairs. A malfunction of Boiler No. 1 operating on coal would follow the same sequence.

Estimated emission rates would be the same as Option B for startup and shut-down. This option provides permit compliance for startup, operation at all loads, shutdown and all baghouse, SDA or boiler malfunctions. Tables 23 and 24 summarize the costs and emissions compliance outcome for the Option B.

Table 23. Cost summary for Option C.

| Equipment / Materials / Parameters | Cost |
|--|--------------|
| <i>Capital cost</i> | |
| Opacity monitor modifications | \$ 105,800 |
| Air heater modifications | \$ 544,300 |
| New sidewall burners | \$ 1,165,700 |
| Total capital cost not including engineering | \$ 1,815,800 |
| <i>Operating costs per year</i> | |
| Fuel: | |
| Coal: 9,966 tons @ \$72.00/ton | \$ 717,561 |
| Natural Gas: 31,420 MCF @ \$0.89/therm | \$ 248,878 |
| Operating and maintenance labor | \$ 845,000 |
| Ash disposal | \$ 97,952 |
| Maintenance material | \$ 90,000 |
| Electrical power (boiler system only) | \$ 30,025 |
| Lime | \$ 9,316 |
| Total operating costs | \$ 2,038,732 |
| <i>Life cycle cost (25 years)</i> | \$43,872,177 |

Table 24. Emission compliance summary for Option C.

| Emission Compliant | Startup | Shutdown | Malfunction |
|---------------------------|----------------|-----------------|--------------------|
| Opacity | Compliant | Compliant | Compliant |
| Particulate | Compliant | Compliant | Compliant |
| NOX | Compliant | Compliant | Compliant |
| SO ₂ | Compliant | Compliant | Compliant |

Table 25. Summary of options with construction costs.

| Option | Capital Cost, Not Including Engineering | Full Permit Compliant? |
|--|--|-------------------------------|
| Existing operation with opacity monitor | \$105,800 | No |
| Revised plant operation of combustion air system | \$544,300 | No |
| Option A: 3-hr coal startup with revised breeching and ductwork | \$2,020,700 | No* |
| Option B: 3-hr coal startup with new burner | \$2,550,900 | No* |
| Option C: Install two natural gas-fired burners in both boilers No. 1 and No. 3 | \$1,815,800 | Yes |
| *Allows for permit Compliant during all phases of operation except for a boiler malfunction. | | |

Table 26. Summary of options with life cycle costs.

| Option | 25-Year Life Cycle Cost | Full Permit Compliant? |
|--|--------------------------------|-------------------------------|
| Existing operation with opacity monitor | \$55,601,084 | No |
| Revised plant operation of combustion air system | \$42,706,477 | No |
| Option A: 3-hour coal start-up with revised breeching and ductwork | \$44,077,077 | No* |
| Option B: 3-hour coal startup with new burner | \$44,607,277 | No* |
| Option C: install two (2) natural gas-fired burners in both Boilers No. 1 and No. 3 | \$43,872,177 | Yes |
| *Allows for permit Compliant during all phases of operation except for a boiler malfunction. | | |

Summary of Options

Tables 25 and 26 list summary information for the options presented above. The current operation is the most expensive and does not meet permit limits. Revising the plant operation of the combustion air system is the least expensive, but does not meet permit limits. Options A, B, and C have relatively the same life cycle costs. Options A and B provide permit compliance for all phases of operation, except for a boiler malfunction. Only Option C will allow full emission compliance during startup, operation, all malfunctions, and shutdown.

Other DOD/Government Coal-Fired Heat Plant Methods for USEPA Compliance

A random selection of DOD and government coal-fired heat plants was made to compare their operations and plant configurations for permit compliance with the MAFB CFHP. The following facilities were selected and results summarized in Appendix I:

- Illinois (Rock Island Arsenal)
- North Carolina (Marine Corps Base, Camp Lejeune)
- Ohio (Wright-Patterson Air Force Base)
- Texas (Red River Army Depot)
- Washington, DC (U.S. Capital Boiler Plant).

The facility manager or engineer was asked to answer a series of questions about their facility. Some of the facilities also provided copies of their operating permits. Information requested included:

- description of heat plant
- State EPA/permit requirements for startup and shutdown
- rules and requirements that may be violated during continued operation during startup and shutdown, and the associated regulated air pollutants
- facility measures taken to minimize startup emissions
- measures taken to minimize the frequency of startups.

In most cases, these facilities engage their baghouses (Camp Lejeune has an ESP) at startup to significantly reduce opacity and particulate emissions. These facilities understand that there is one disadvantage of this method, specifically, the requirement to replace the bags at least twice as often due to increased deterioration caused by acid condensate.

Each facility states that it can meet its permit requirements during all phases of operation. In Illinois, Rock Island's heating plant currently operates under an operating permit that states the operation of the boilers, in excess of the applicable emissions standards, during startup is allowed. They conclude, qualitatively, that only the CO emissions rate is violated during startup, all other emission limits are met. In North Carolina, the administrative code, NCAC Subchapter 2D, was recently amended to declare that:

the excess emissions during startup and shutdown are in violation unless the owner or operator can demonstrate that excess emissions are unavoidable ... The owner or operator shall, to the extent practicable, operate the source and any associated air pollution control equipment or monitoring equipment in a manner consistent with best practicable air

pollution control practices to minimize emissions during startup and shutdown.

In Ohio, Wright-Patterson AFB must report any excursions of the startup or shutdown provisions specified in the State's administrative code. These provisions state that the visible particulate emission limitations established in the code do not apply to "the startup and shutdown of fuel burning equipment." (See OAC rule 3745-17-07(A)(3) for details.)

In Texas, Red River Army Depot's operating permit does not specifically mention emission limitations during startup or shutdown. The Texas Administrative Code, Title 30, Part 1, Chapter 101, Subchapter A, Rule §101.7 "Maintenance, Startup and Shutdown Reporting, Recordkeeping, and Operational Requirements" has specific rules, reporting requirements, and allowances during startup and shutdown.

Finally, in Washington DC, the Capitol Heating Plant operating permit has an opacity limit for its normal operating ranges; the permit also outlines exceptions to that limit which include startup and shutdown. The particulate emissions rate for the coal-fired units is deemed to be in compliance when the flue gas is exhausted through the baghouse. Also, the NO_x emission rates, based on lb/MMBtu, are both a calendar day average and 2-hour average.

In summary, the various plant permit restrictions and allowances described above appear to be fairly relaxed for startup and shutdown conditions compared to those specified in the Air Permit requirements for Malmstrom AFB's coal-fired heat plant. To meet the air quality requirements as specified by the Malmstrom AFB permit, which requires 100 percent compliance at all times, MAFB must invest approximately \$2 million to complete Option C as recommended in this report.

Alternative Methods to Coal for Providing Heat

CERL will also complete a HeatMap analysis of MAFB and publish the report separately. The objective of the study is to develop, analyze, and recommend alternative methods for providing heat to Malmstrom AFB while maintaining compliance with all applicable environmental permits and regulations.

4 Conclusions and Recommendations

Conclusions

This study concludes that:

1. Qualitatively, the MAFB CFHP currently exceeds its permit limits during startup and malfunction.
2. Qualitatively, that the MAFB CFHP will be able to meet its current permit limits through equipment modifications and operational changes.
3. Revisions to the Montana SIP or the MAFB CFHP operating permit will not be necessary if the recommendations of this study or of the HEATMAP analysis are implemented. These recommendations include the implementation of one of three options:
 - a. Option A: 3-hr coal startup with revised breeching and ductwork
 - b. Option B: 3-hr coal startup with new burner
 - c. Option C: Install two natural gas-fired (25 MMBtu/hr) burners in both Boilers No. 1 and No. 3.
4. The MAFB CFHP can meet its permit limits during startup, shutdown, and malfunctions of the SDA and/or baghouse if operational and equipment changes are made using either Options A or B.
5. The MAFB CFHP can to meet its permit limits during startup, shutdown and all malfunctions if operational and equipment changes are made using Option C.
6. One alternative to adopting Option A, B, or C, would be for the command to pursue a change to the Montana SIP and/or their CFHP operating permit.
7. Sulfur oxides can be reduced significantly to 0.18 lb/MMBtu heat input or 4.25 lb/hour to 16.92 lb/hour over the boiler operating range if some of the combustion air is allowed to bypass the air heater and increase the flue gas temperature to the spray dryer. The constant flue gas temperature of 320 °F to the spray dryer will allow additional feed of calcium hydroxide (Ca(OH)₂) to the spray dryer and reduce the sulfur oxide emissions.
8. A final alternative to would be to continue operating according to the status quo (do nothing), make no operational or capital improvement changes, and allow

both the USEPA and MDEQ to exercise enforcement discretion of their air quality regulations.

Recommendations

This study recommends:

1. *Implementation of Option C.* This has the lowest life-cycle costs and will allow the CFHP to be in compliance during startup, normal operation, all malfunctions and shutdown.
2. *System enhancements to lower sulfur oxide emissions.* This change should only be pursued if agreed to in writing between the State of Montana, the USEPA, and Malmstrom AFB. (Note that this is not a design change, only an enhancement of the existing design for increased sulfur oxide removal, which would represent:
 - a. Lower sulfur oxides emissions for MDEQ
 - b. Lower operating cost for MAFB, i.e., more coal usage and less natural gas usage.
3. *Opacity monitor modifications* (even if no action is taken to implement any of the options or recommendations). The modifications are required to increase the accuracy of the opacity monitor at all times.
4. *Complete air heater modifications* (even if no action is taken to implement any of the other options or recommendations). This will allow the burning of less expensive coal fuel at lower boiler loads and decrease SO₂ emissions.

Appendix A: Summary of Emission Limits Imposed by USEPA, MDEQ, and MAFB's Permit

40 CFR-50-A, J and F are test methods for ambient air quality. The NAAQS limits in ppm cannot be directly converted to lb/MMBtu. The $\mu\text{g}/\text{m}^3$ and ppm ground level concentrations are calculated using a dispersion modeling program, flue gas flow, flue gas temperature, building dimensions, stack height and stack emissions in grams/second.

The New Source Performance Standards (NSPS) are in 40 CFR Part 60 Subpart D for heat inputs greater than 100 MMBtu/hr and less than 250 MMBtu/hr. Particulate is 0.05 lb/MMBtu, opacity is 20 percent, NOX is 0.60 lb/MMBtu and SO₂ is a 90 percent reduction of potential and 1.2 lb/MMBtu. For MAFB, this would calculate to 5.3 lb/hr particulate, 63.6 lb/hr of NOX and 127.2 lb/hr of SO₂.

Federal/State/Permit Limits

| | (lb/hr) | | | |
|--|--|--|---|---|
| | Particulates PM ₁₀ | Opacity | SO ₂ | NOx |
| Federal Regulations NSPS | 5.3 | Less than 20% averaged over 6 consecutive minutes | 127.2 | 63.6 |
| USEPA (NAAQS - permissible level of air contaminant in the ambient air) | 50 $\mu\text{g}/\text{m}^3$ (Annual Arithmetic Mean) | None | 0.03 ppm (Annual Arithmetic Mean) (80 $\mu\text{g}/\text{m}^3$) | 0.053 ppm (Annual Arithmetic Mean) (100 $\mu\text{g}/\text{m}^3$) |
| MDEQ ARM 17.8 | 43.05 (ARM 17.8.310) | Less than 20% averaged over 6 consecutive minutes (ARM 17.8.304) | 106.0 | None listed in ARM.17.8 |
| MAFB Permit | 4.0 | Less than 20% averaged over 6 consecutive minutes | 33.90 | 53.0 |

| (lb/MMBtu) | | | | |
|---|------------------------|---|-----------------------|-------------------------|
| NSPS | 0.05 | Less than 20% averaged over 6 consecutive minutes | 1.2 | 0.60 |
| MDEQ (ARM 17.8) | 0.41 (ARM 17.8.309) | Less than 20% averaged over 6 consecutive minutes | 1.0 (ARM 17.8.322) | None listed in ARM.17.8 |
| MAFB Permit | None Listed | Less than 20% averaged over 6 consecutive minutes | 0.32 | 0.50 |
| Notes: The emissions limitation is 1.0 lb sulfur/MMBtu-fired, and using the <i>design maximum</i> heat rate is 106.0 MMBtu/hr. Emissions referenced in ARM 17.8.322(4). (Sulfur gaseous fuel not calculated.) | | | | |

Appendix B: Summary of MAFB's February 2001 Emissions Test

| Boiler No. 1 | Emission Limits | Measured Emissions |
|---------------------|---------------------------------|-----------------------------------|
| NOX | 0.50 lb / MMBtu or 53.0 lb / hr | 0.29 lb/MMBtu or 19.55 lb / hr |
| SO ₂ | 0.32 lb / MMBtu or 34 lb / hr | 0.177 lb/MMBtu or 11.76 lb / hr |
| Particulate | 4.0 lb / hr | 1.047 lb/hr |
| Opacity | < 20 % | 0.00 % |
| Boiler No. 2 | Emission Limits | Measured Emissions |
| NOX | 0.50 lb / MMBtu or 53.0 lb / hr | 0.07 lb / MMBtu or 5.68 lb / hr |
| SO ₂ | 0.32 lb / MMBtu or 34 lb / hr | N/A |
| Particulate | 4.0 lb / hr | N/A |
| Opacity | < 20 % | N/A |
| Boiler No. 3 | Emission Limits | Measured Emissions |
| NOX | 0.50 lb / MMBtu or 53.0 lb / hr | 0.35 lb / MMBtu or 25.21 lb / hr |
| SO ₂ | 0.32 lb / MMBtu or 34 lb / hr | 0.192 lb / MMBtu or 14.04 lb / hr |
| Particulate | 4.0 lb / hr | 1.467 lb / hr |
| Opacity | < 20 % | 0.00 % |

Appendix C: Contact List for Quantitative Startup/Shutdown (SU/SD) Emission Test Results

Name of Firm/Organization (Outside of USACE/ERDC/CERL)

Air and Waste Management Association (A&WMA)
Air Compliant Testing, Inc
American Boiler Manufacturers Association (ABMA)
Coastal Air Consultants
Compliant Assurance Associates, Inc.
Council of Industrial Boiler Owners (CIBO)
Department of Energy: Clean Coal Technology
Detroit Stoker Company
Electric Power Research Institute (EPRI)
ETS, Inc.
Great Lakes Power, Ltd
Hoffman Combustion Engineering Company
IEA Coal Research, United Kingdom
Illinois Environmental Protection Agency
National Energy Technology Laboratory (NETL)
Ohio State University: Department of Mechanical Engineering
Riley Stoker Company
Schmidt Associates, Inc.
Southern Illinois University: Coal Research Center
Southern Illinois University: Department of Mechanical Engineering and Energy Processes
Spirax-Sarco, Inc.
United States Department of Energy
United States Environmental Protection Agency (to include CEMS data)
United States Environmental Protection Agency, Region 5
University of North Dakota: Department of Mechanical Engineering
Vogt – NEM Inc.
World Coal Institute

Appendix D: Flue Gas and Combustion Air Flow Drawings for Current Operations and Various Options

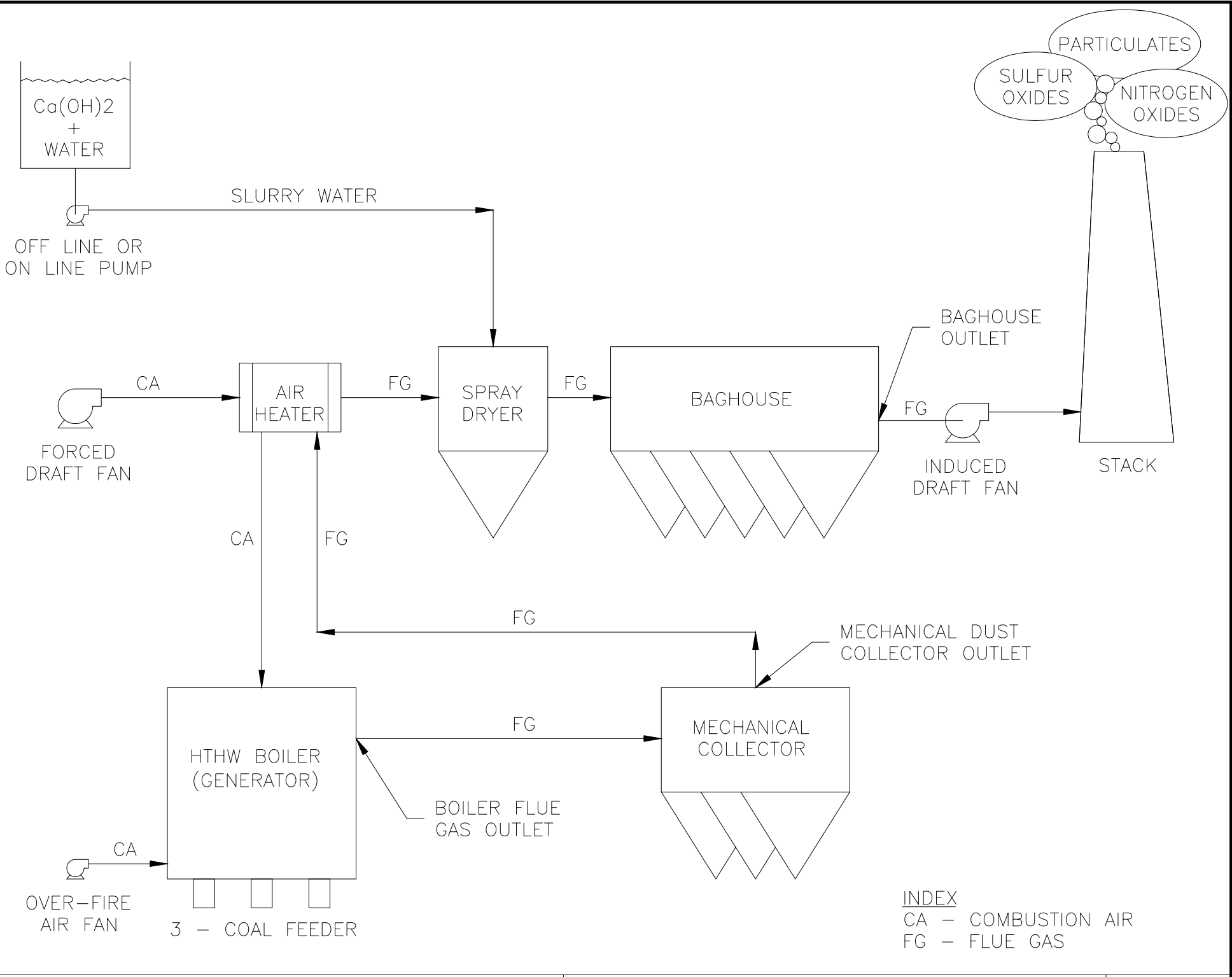


Figure D1. Coal-fired HTWG air/flue gas flow diagram.



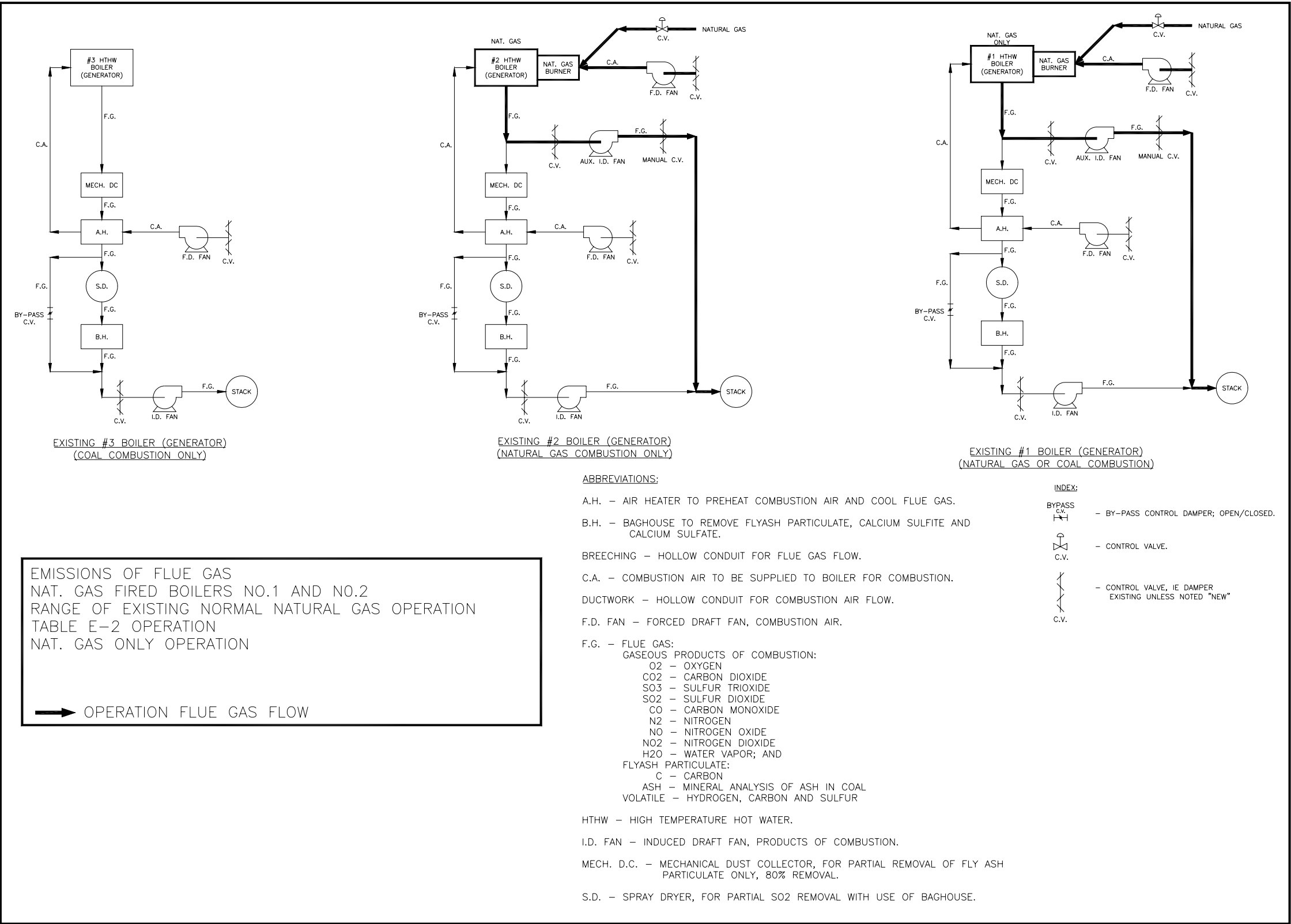


Figure D3. Flue gas flow of existing equipment for boilers No. 1 and No. 2 (natural gas only) during normal range of operation.

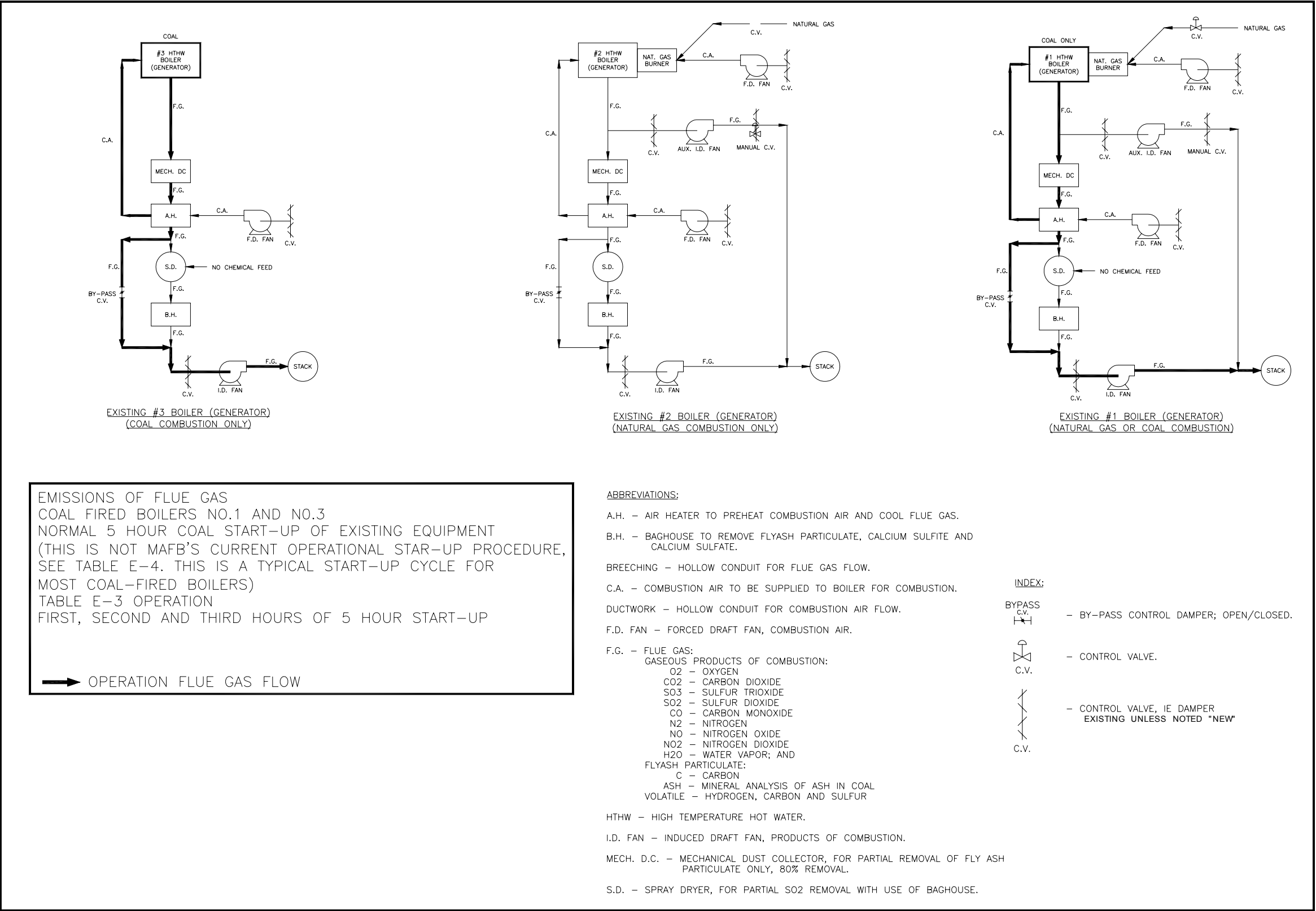


Figure D4. Flue gas flow of a typical coal-fired boiler during a 5-hour startup, 1st, 2^d, and 3^d hours (coal only) with existing equipment.

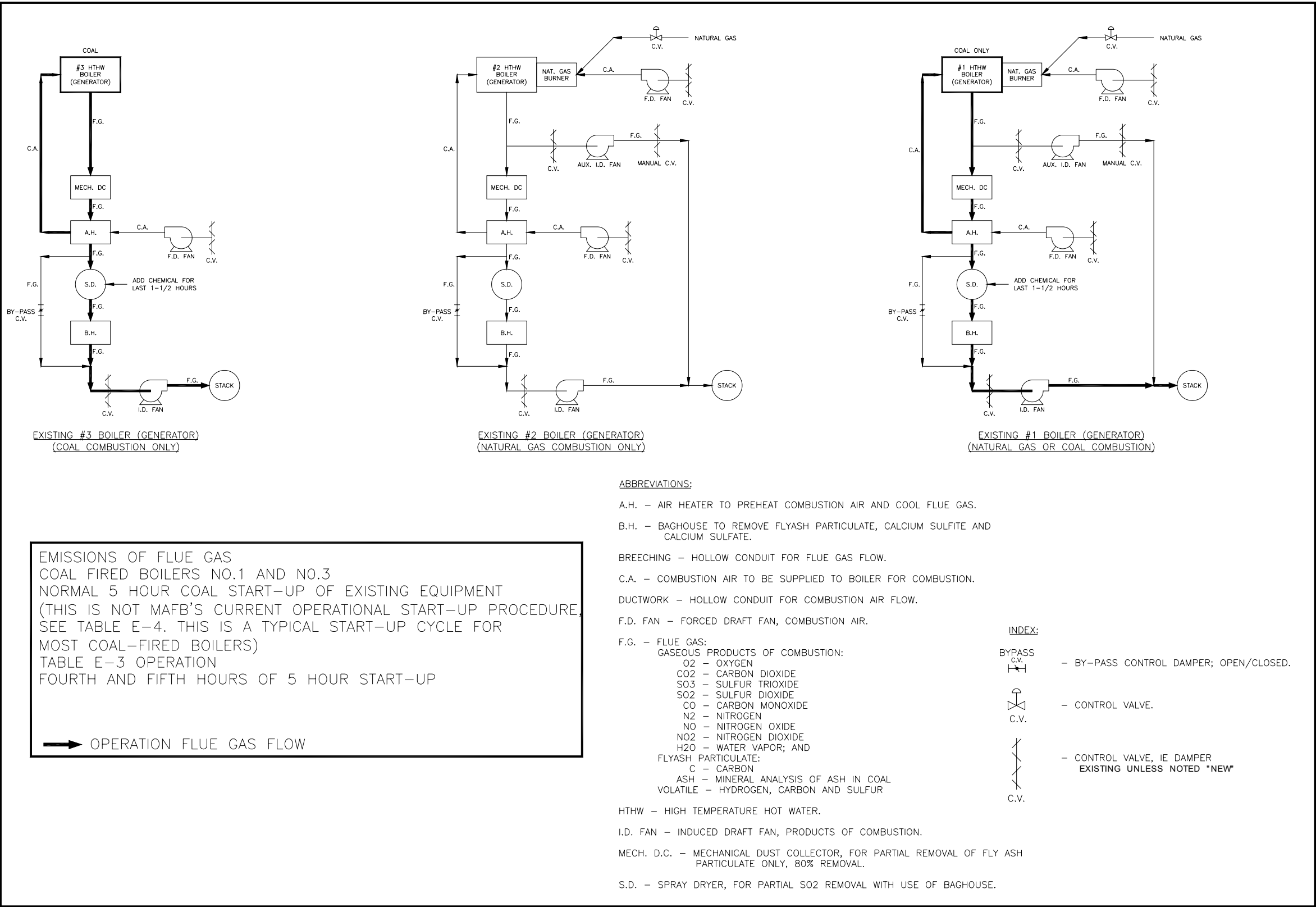


Figure D5. Flue gas flow of a typical coal-fired boiler during a 5-hour startup, 4th and 5th hours (coal only) with existing equipment.

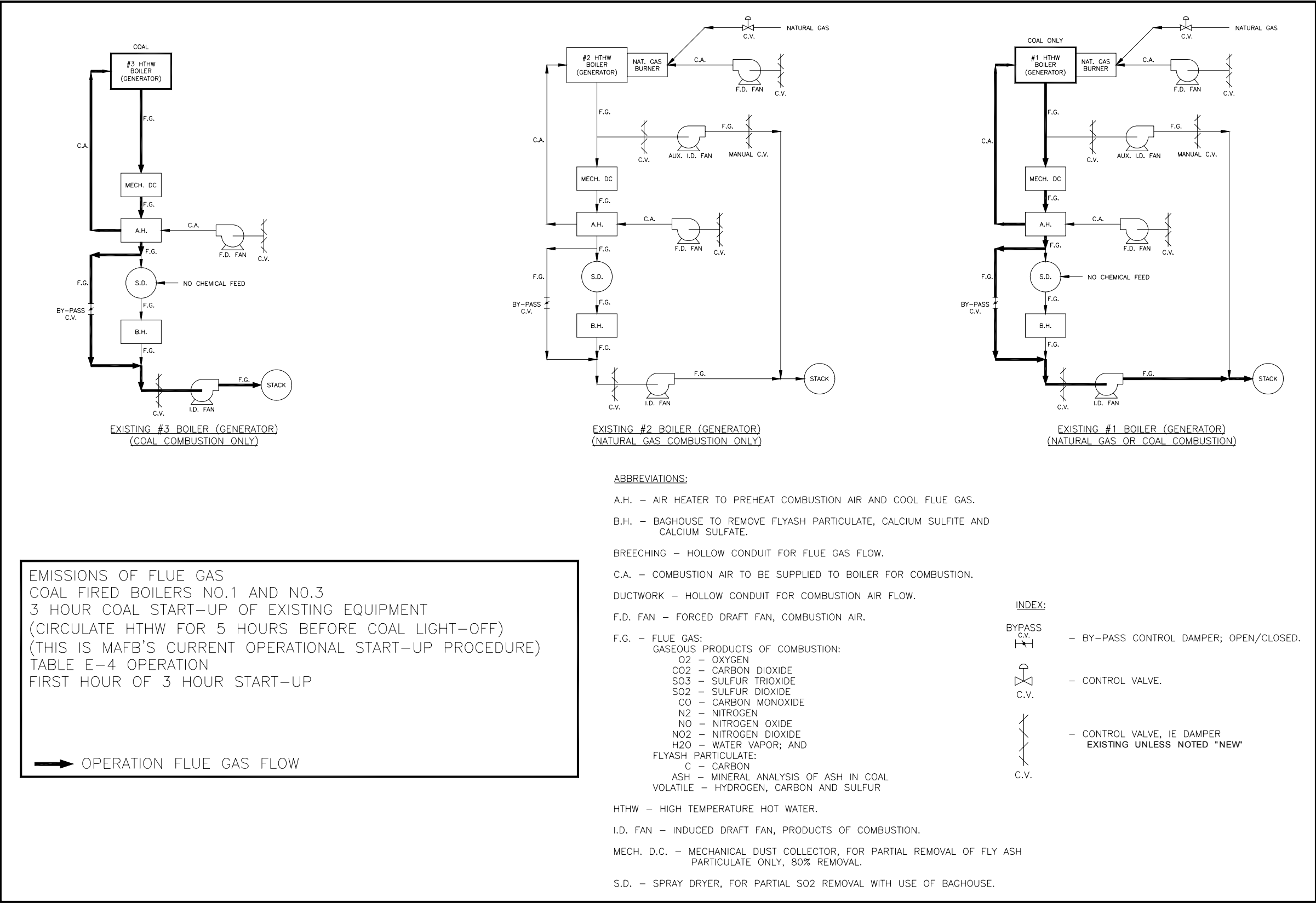


Figure D6. Flue gas flow of MAFB's 1st hour of startup for Boilers No. 1 and No. 3 (coal only) with existing equipment.

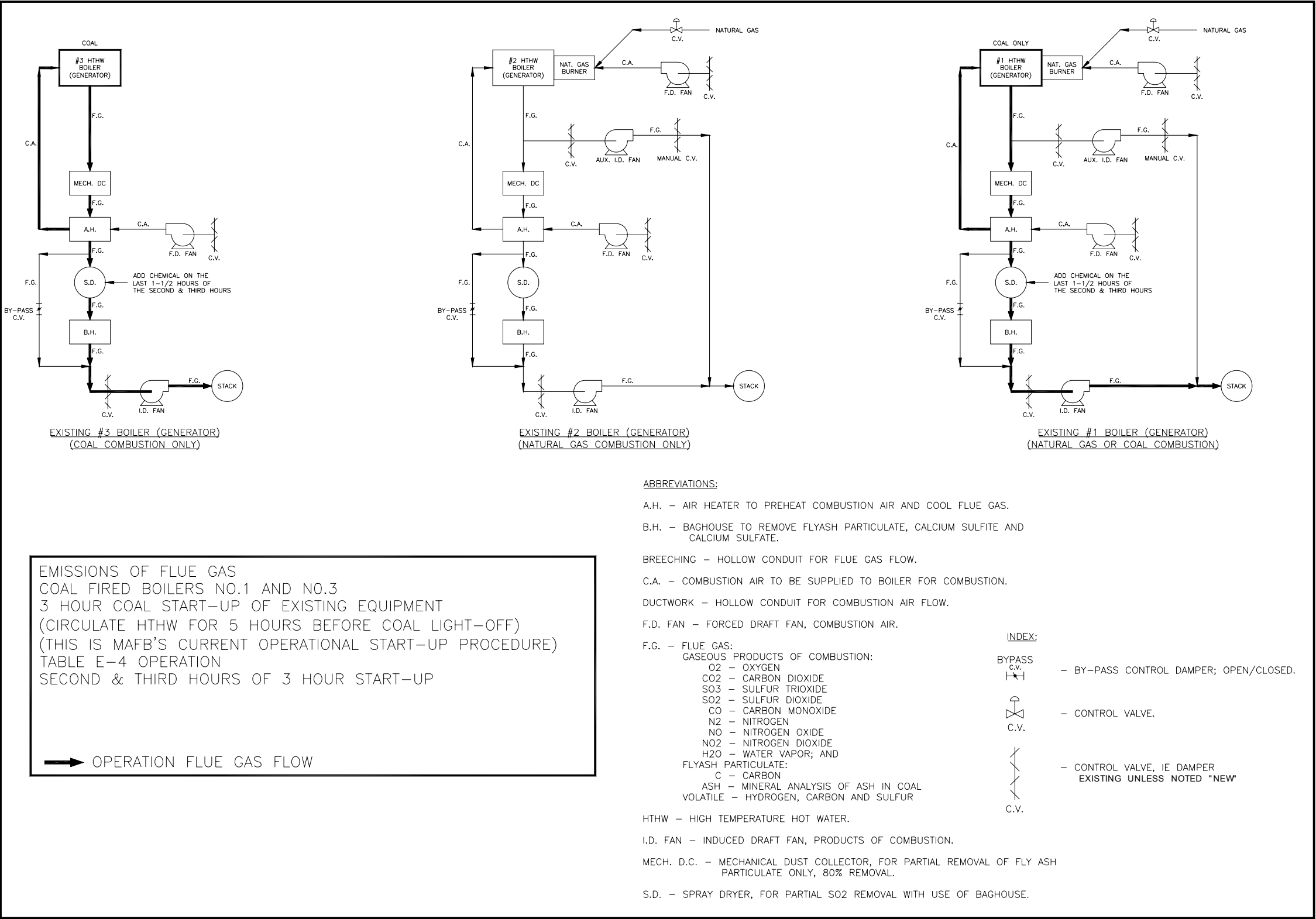


Figure D7. Flue gas flow of MAFB's 2^d and 3^d hours of startup for Boilers No. 1 and No. 3 (coal only) with existing equipment.

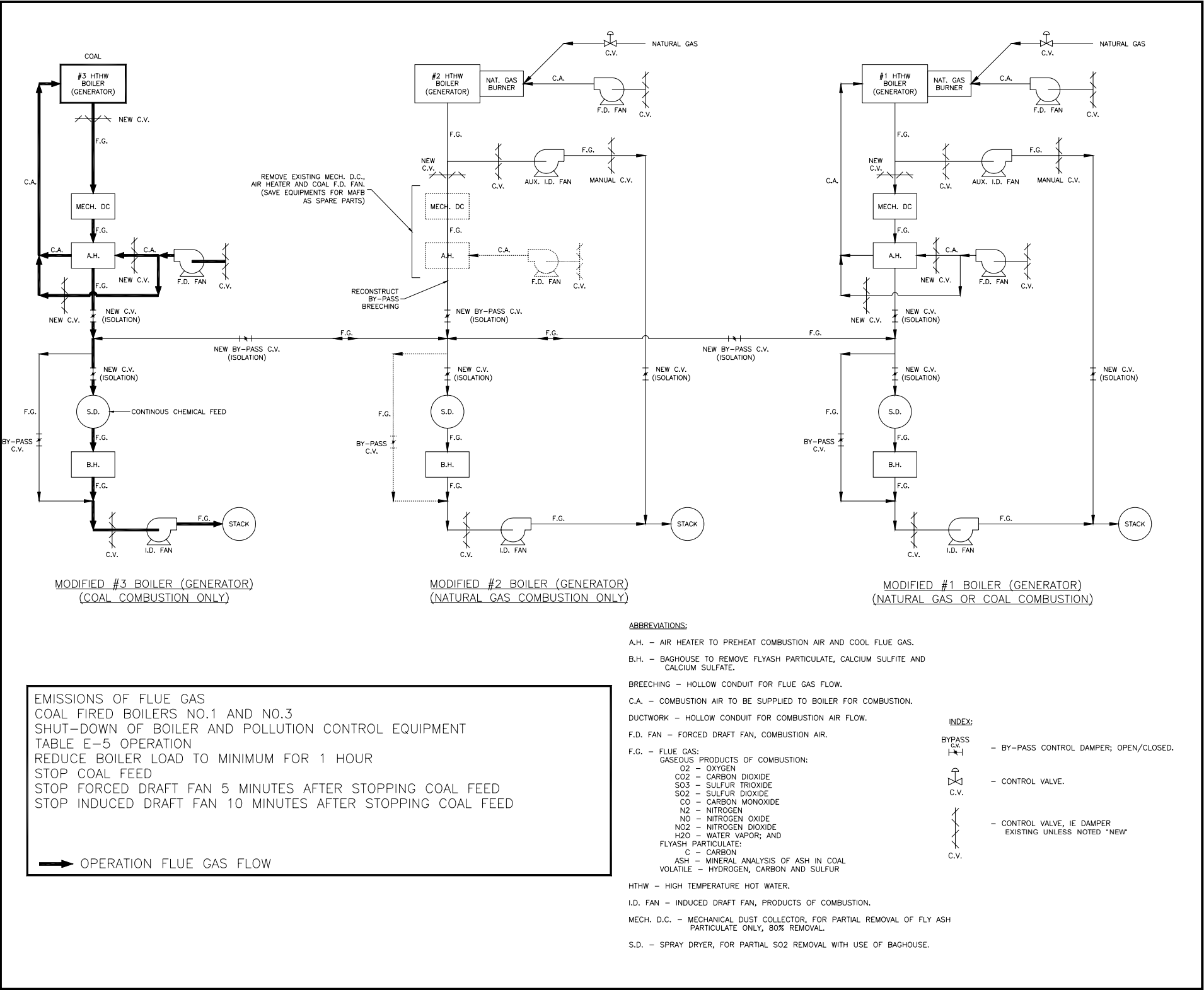


Figure D8. Flue gas flow during shutdown of existing boiler and pollution control equipment.

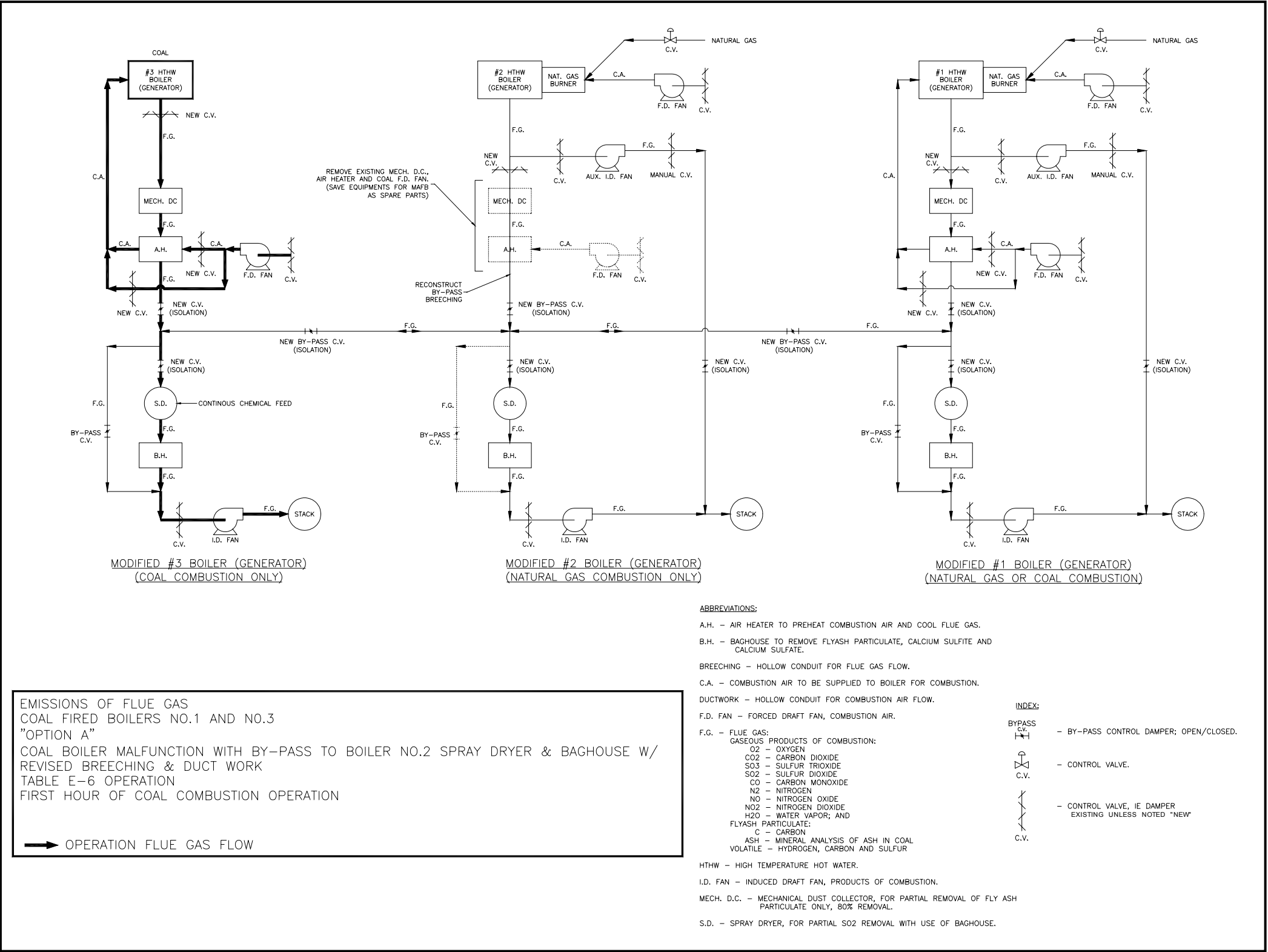


Figure D9. Flue gas flow during 1st hour of coal combustion malfunction (Boilers No. 1 and No. 3) with revised breeching and ductwork.

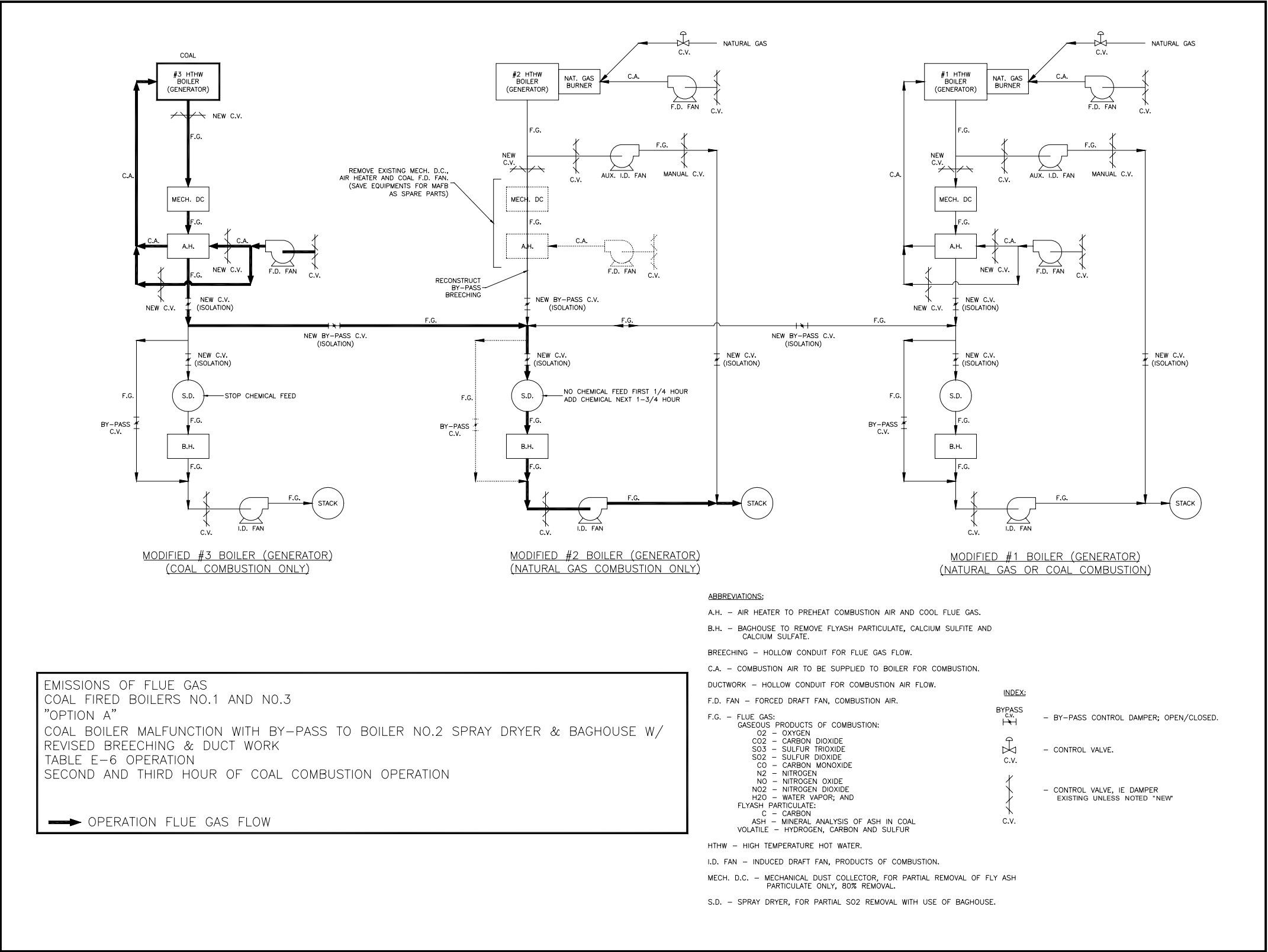


Figure D10. Flue gas flow during 2^d and 3^d hours of coal combustion malfunction (Boilers No. 1 and No. 3) with revised breeching and ductwork.

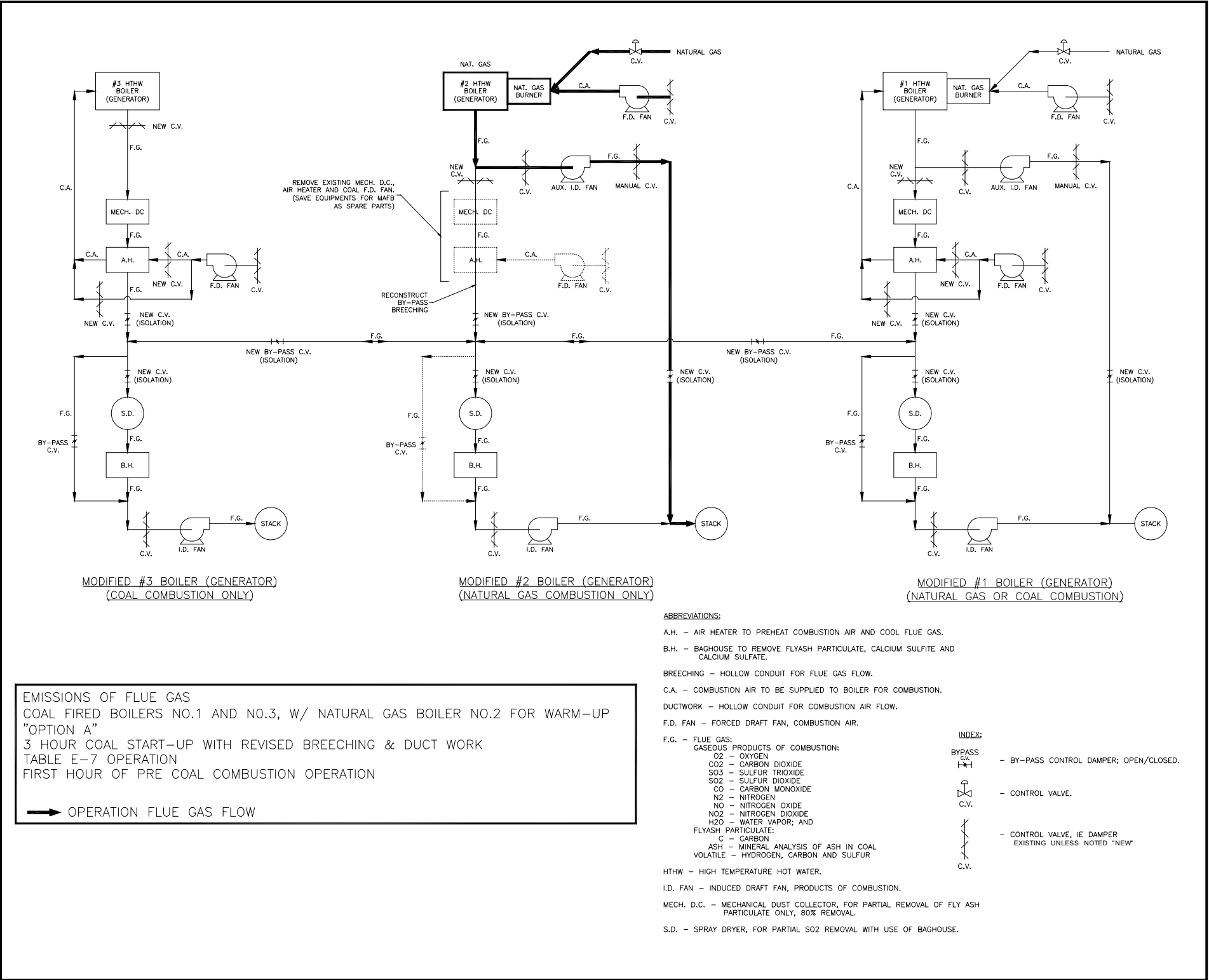


Figure D11. Flue gas flow during 1st hour of startup for Boilers No. 1 and No. 3 (No. 2 for warmup) with revised breeching and ductwork (Option “A”) — first hour of pre-coal combustion.

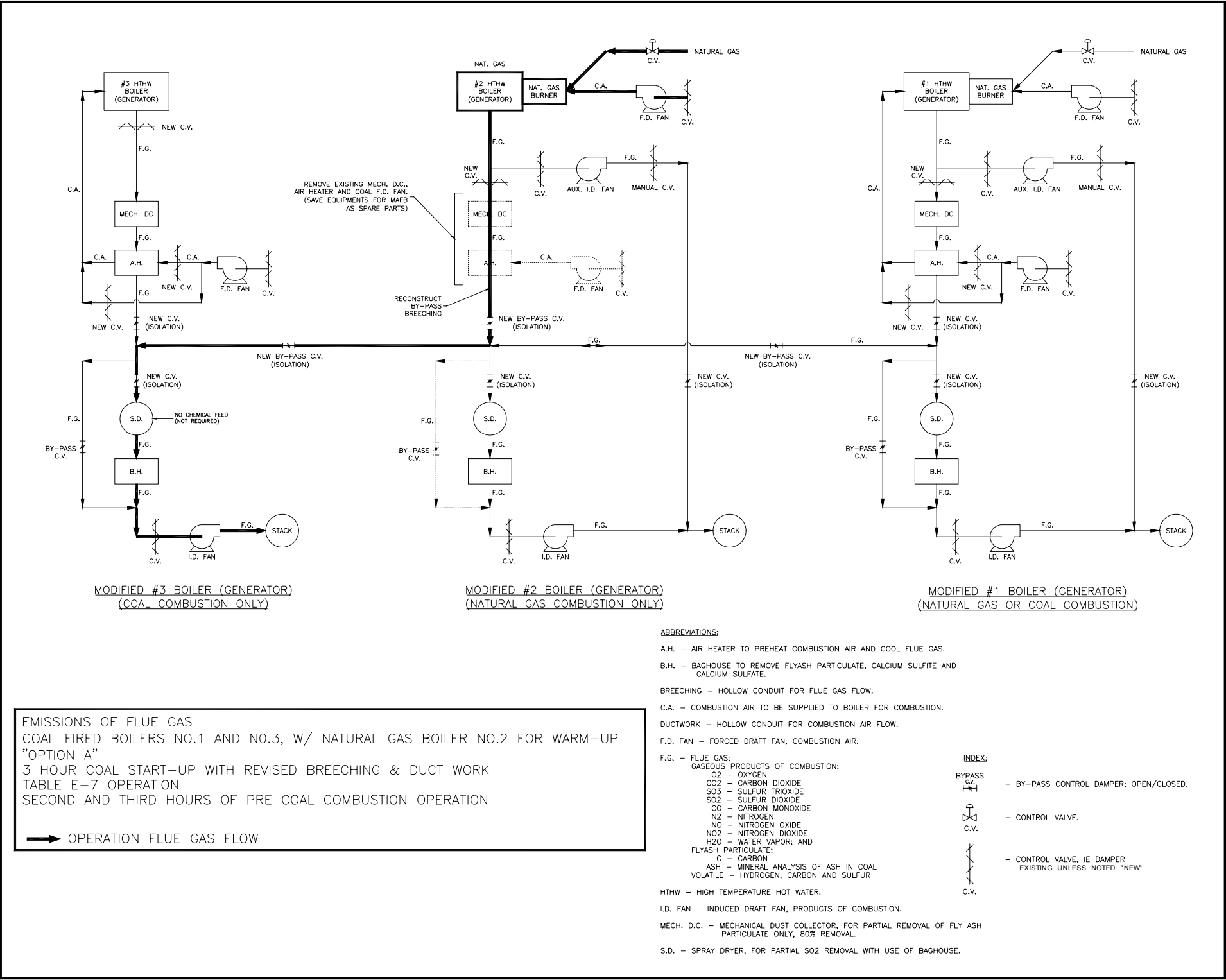


Figure D12. Flue gas flow during 2^d and 3^d hours of startup for Boilers No. 1 and No. 3 (No. 2 for warmup) with revised breeching and ductwork (Option "A") — 2^d and 3^d hours or pre-coal combustion.

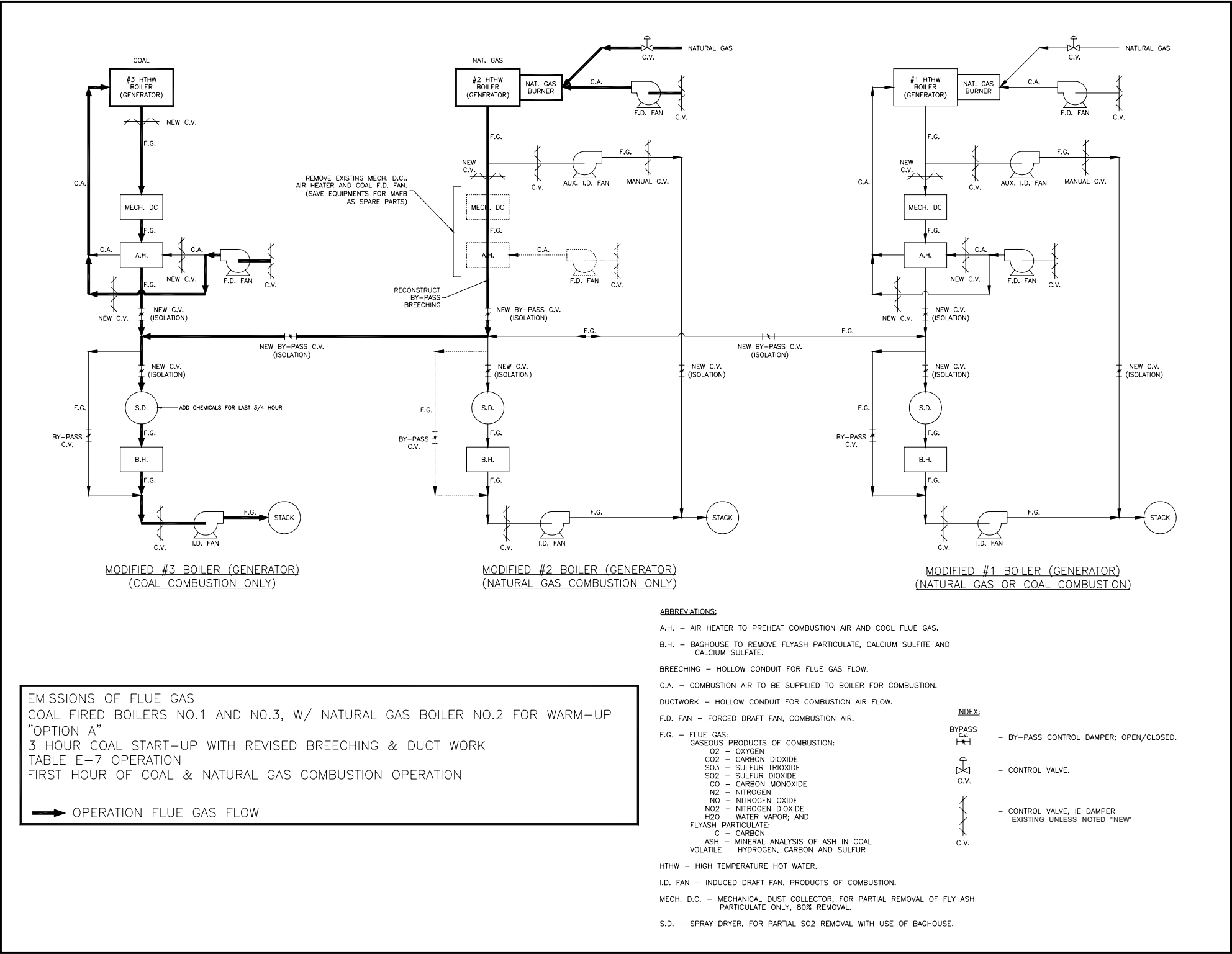


Figure D13. Flue gas flow of 1st hour of startup for Boilers No. 1 and No. 3 (No. 2 for warmup) with revised breeching and ductwork (Option "A") — 1st hour of coal and natural gas combustion.

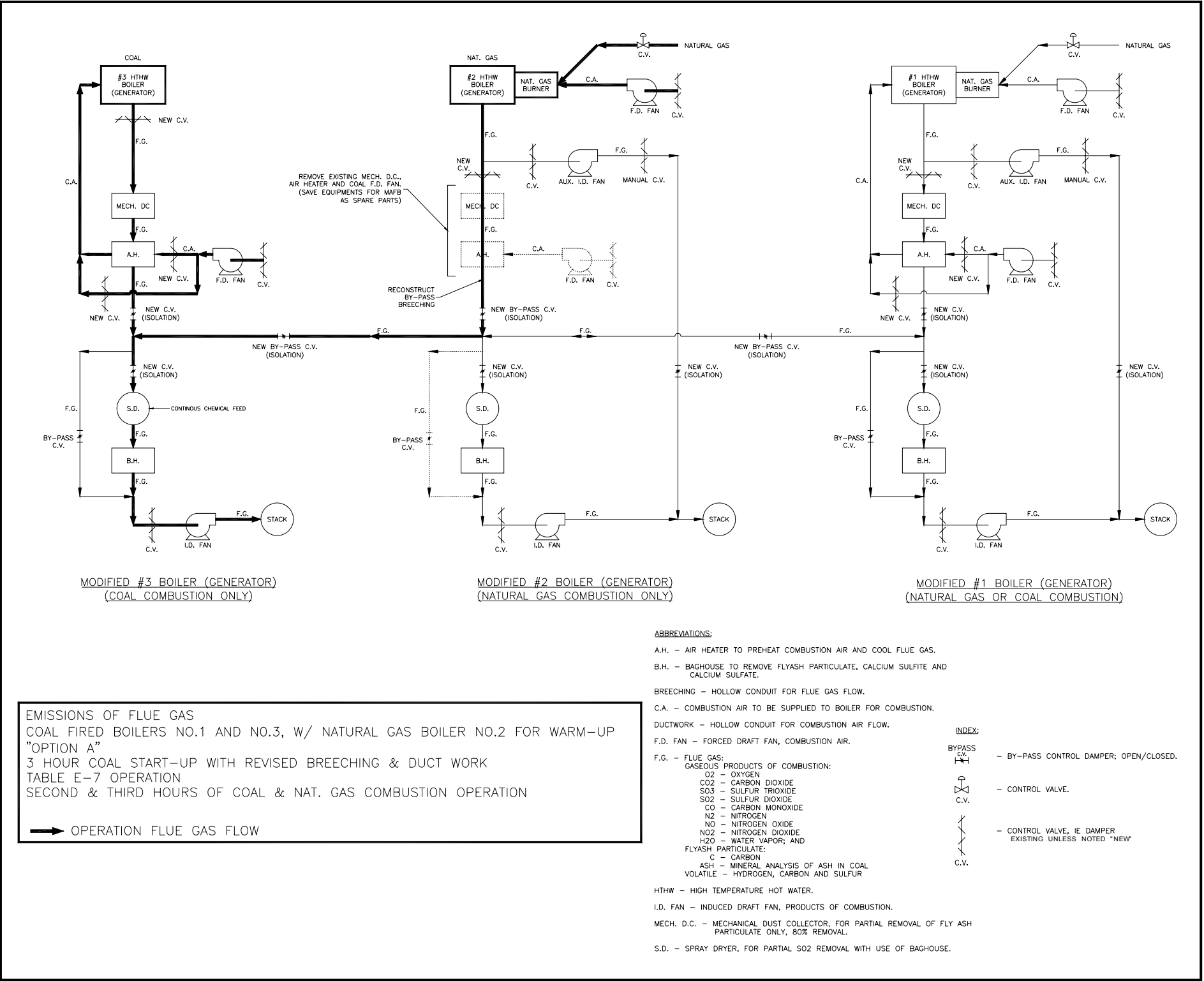


Figure D14. Flue gas flow during 2^d and 3^d hours of startup for Boilers No. 1 and No. 3 (No. 2 for warmup) with revised breeching and ductwork (Option "A") — 2^d and 3^d hours of coal and natural gas combustion.

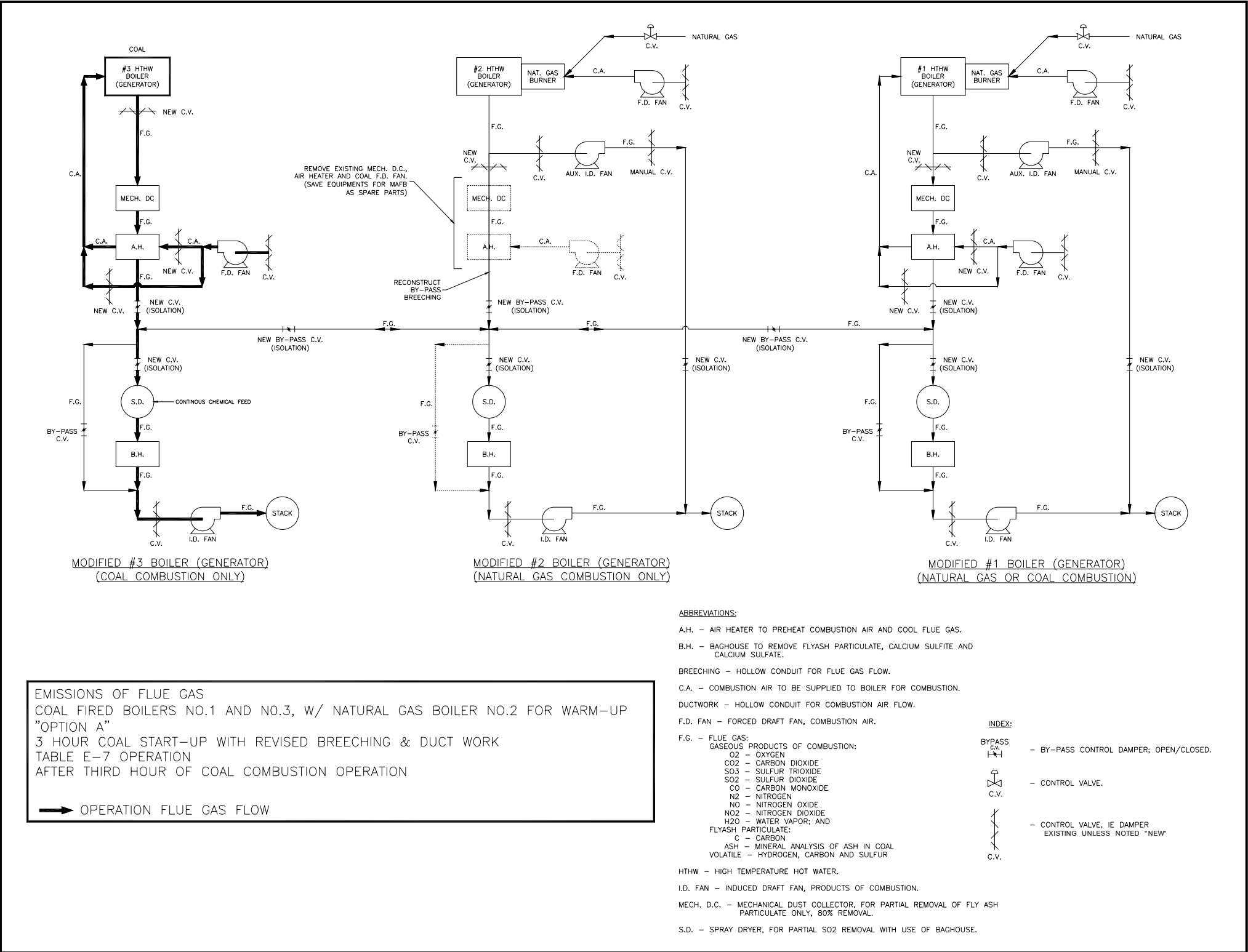


Figure D15. Flue gas flow after 3^d hour of startup for Boilers No. 1 and No. 3 (No. 2 for warmup) with revised breeching and ductwork (Option “A”) — after 3^d hour of coal combustion.

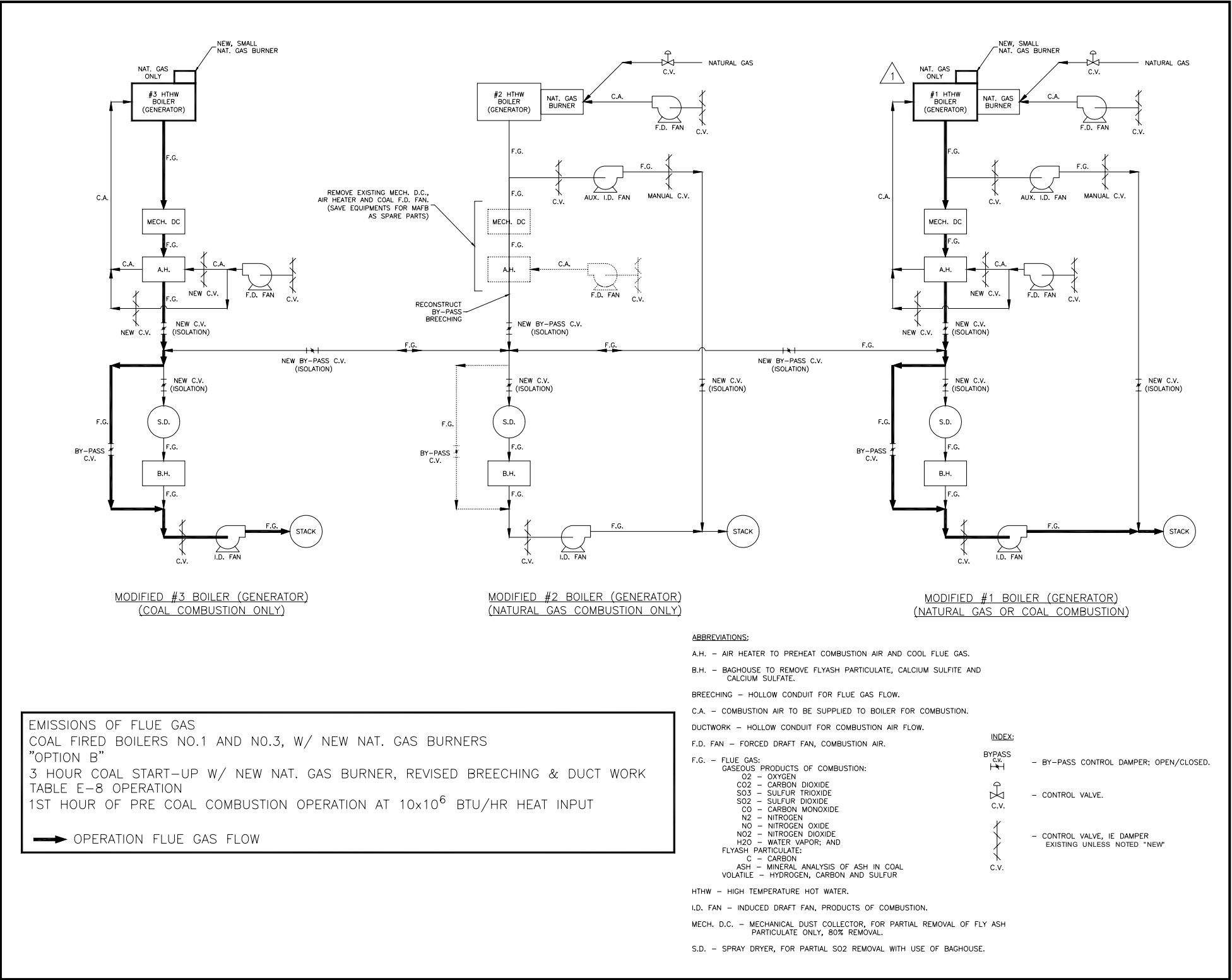


Figure D16. Flue gas flow during 1st hour of startup for Boilers No. 1 and No. 3 with new natural gas burners, revised breeching, and ductwork (Option “B”) — natural gas only.

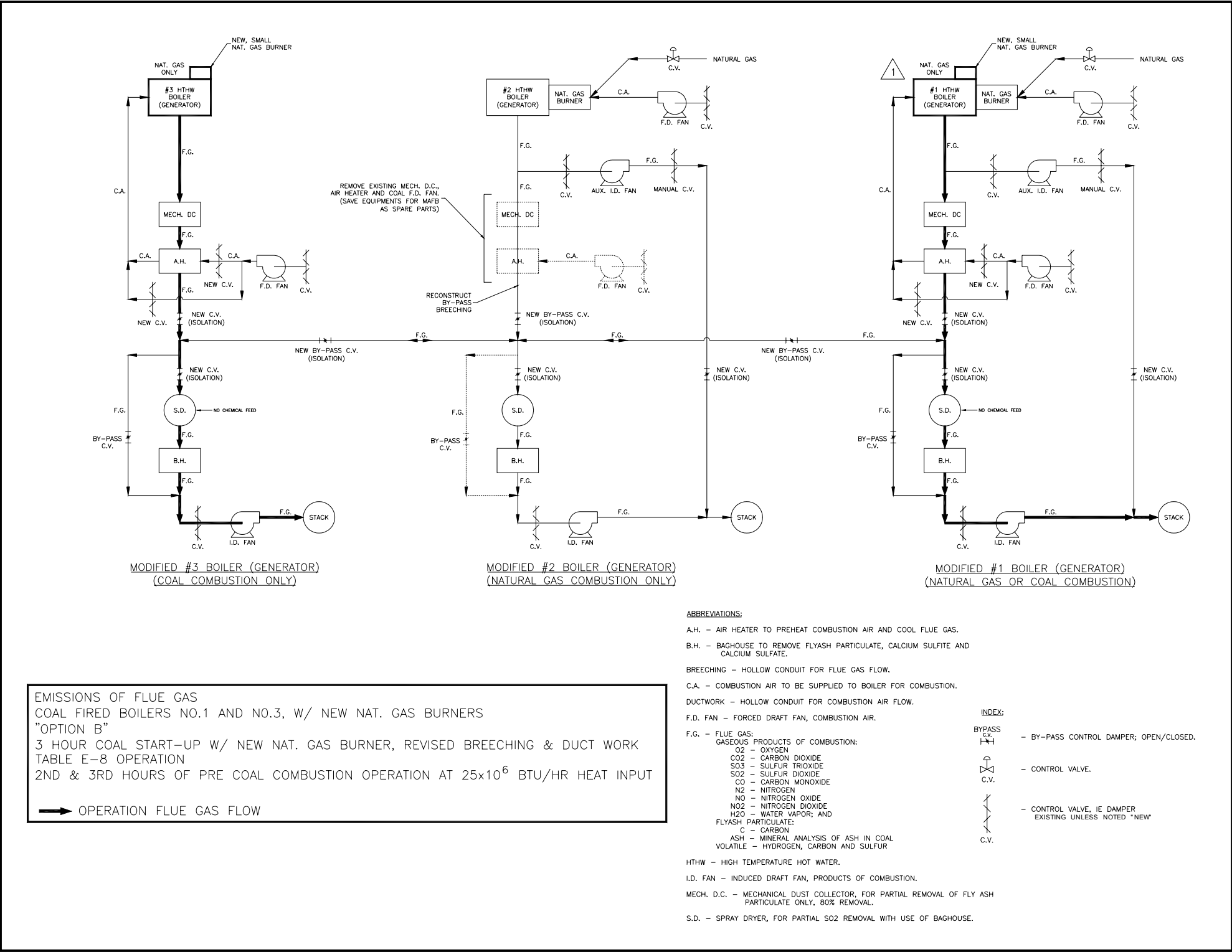


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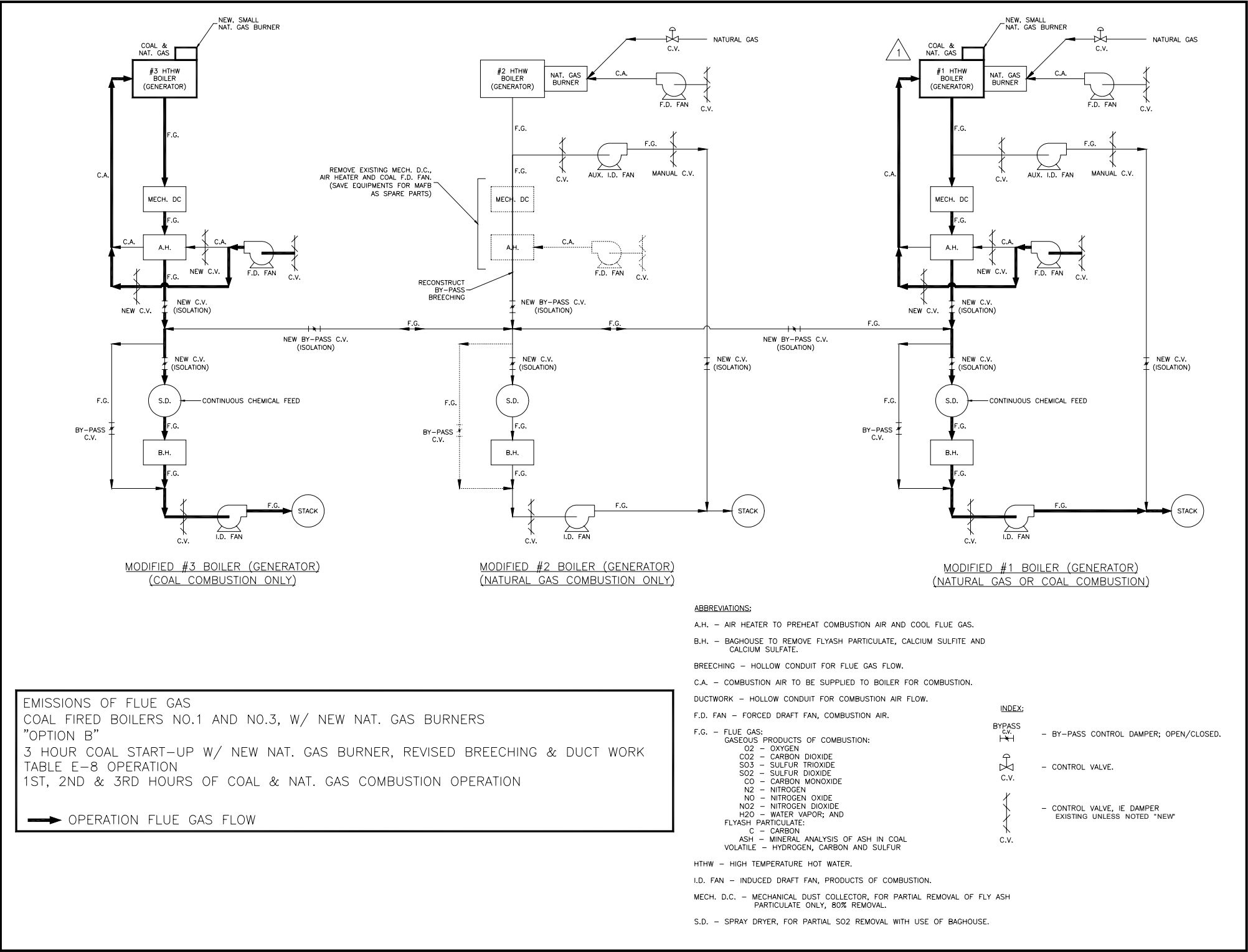


Figure D18. Flue gas flow of complete startup (1st, 2^d, 3^d hours) for Boilers No. 1 and No. 3 with new natural gas burners, revised breeching and ductwork (Option "B") — coal and natural gas.

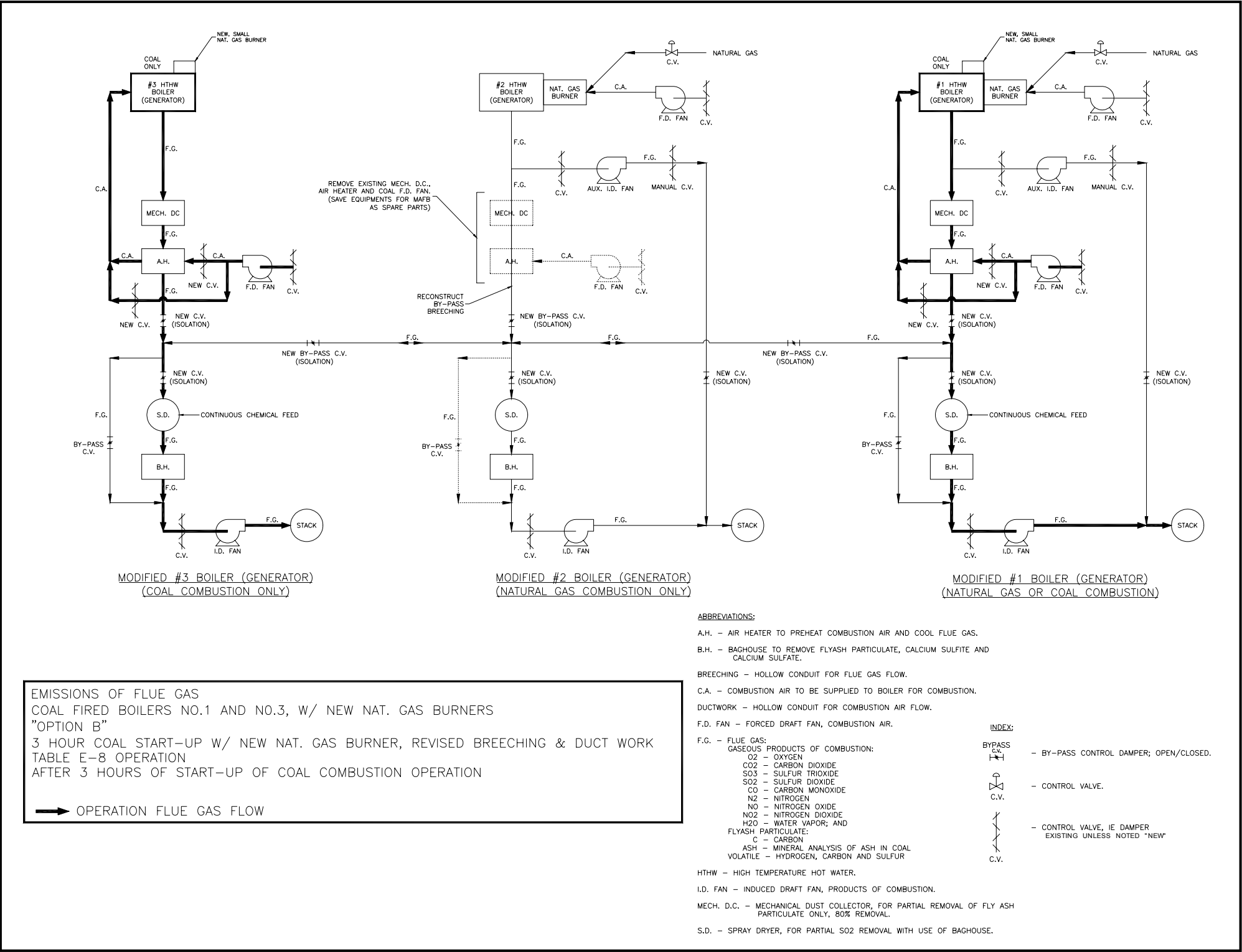


Figure D19. Flue gas flow of startup (after 3^d hour) for Boilers No. 1 and No. 3 with new natural gas burners, revised breeching, and ductwork (Option “B”) — coal only.

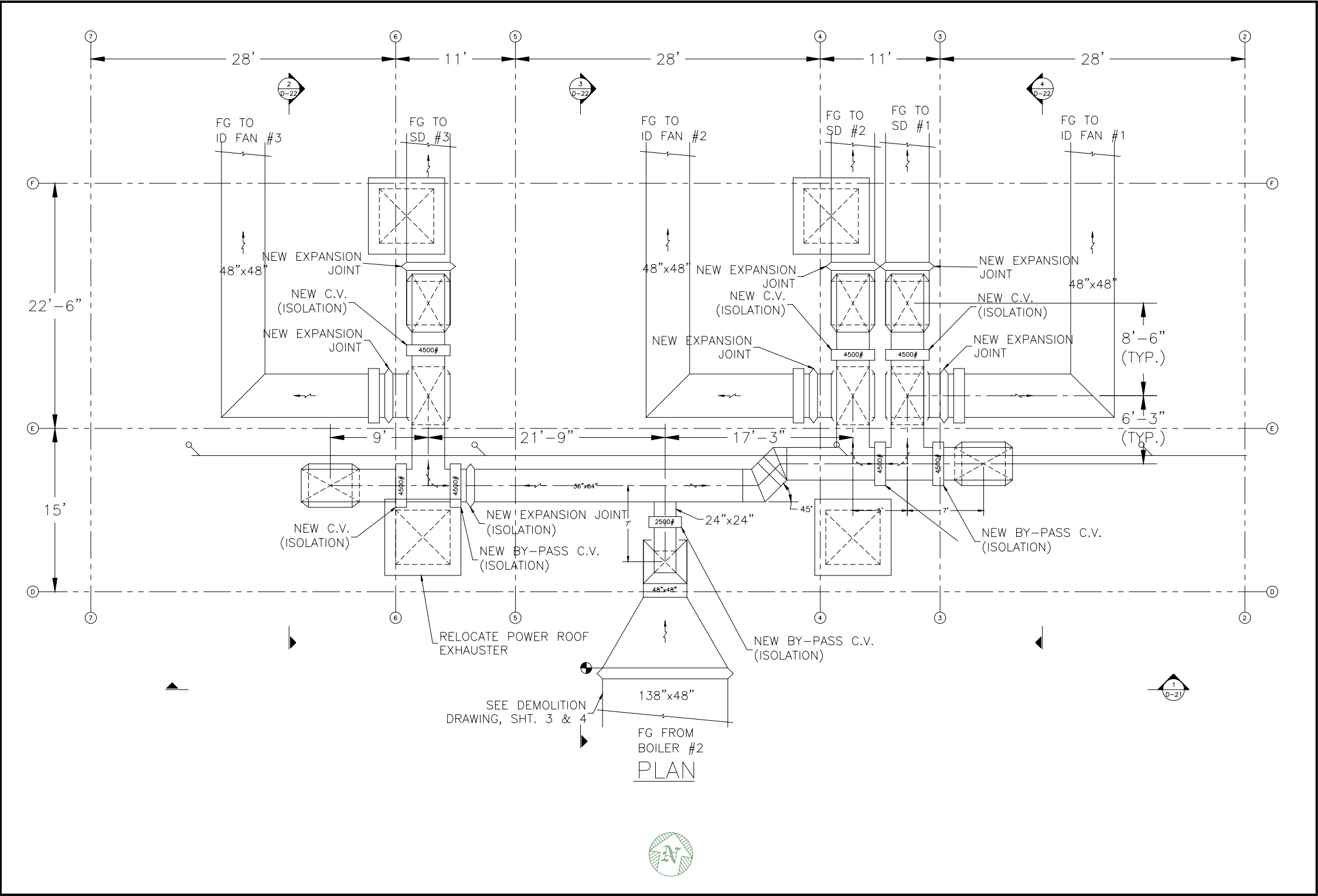


Figure D20. Conceptual drawing of breaching modifications and combustion air ductwork (Options "A" and "B").

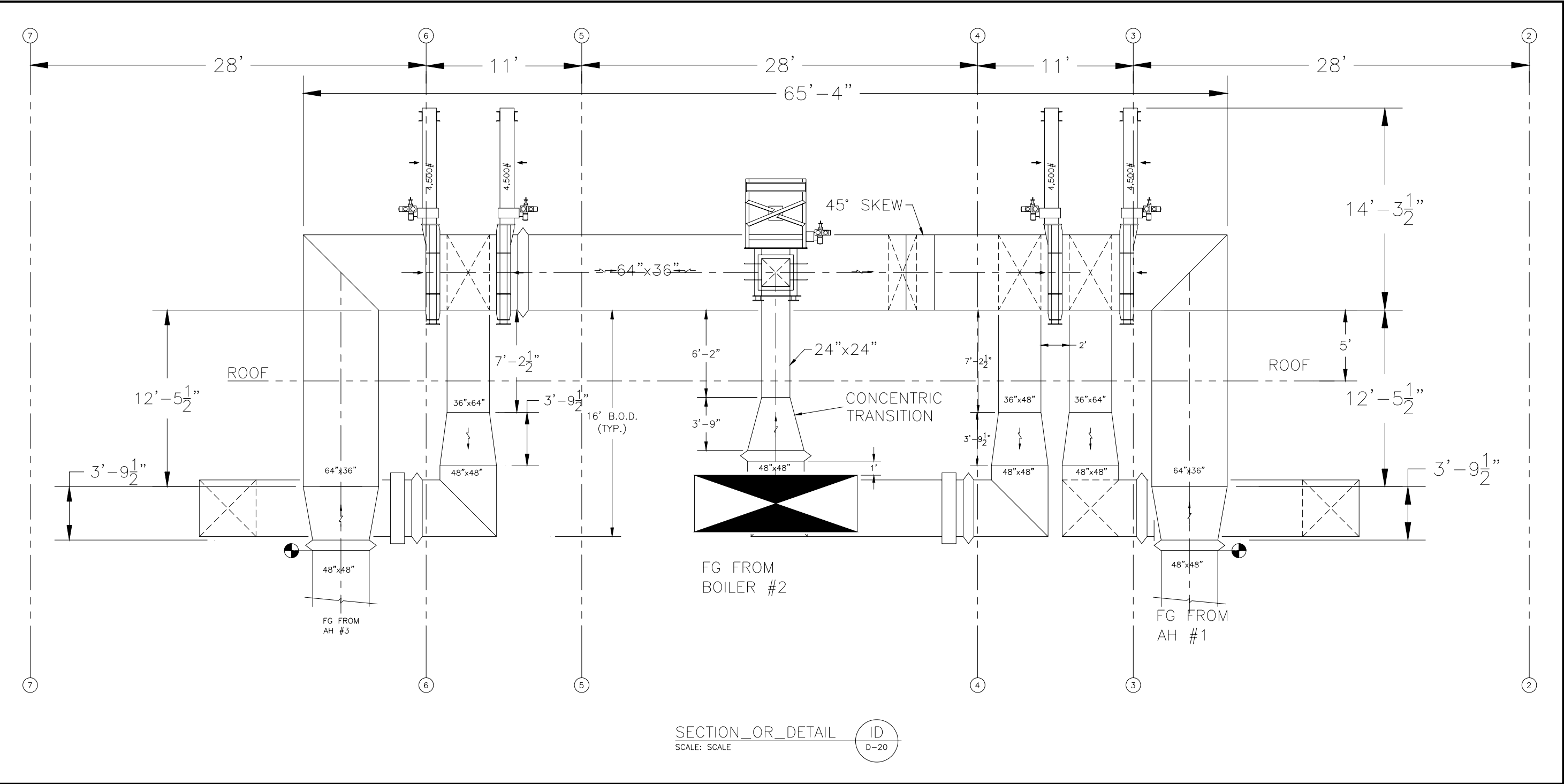


Figure D21. Detailed conceptual drawing of breaching modifications and combustion air ductwork (Options "A" and "B").

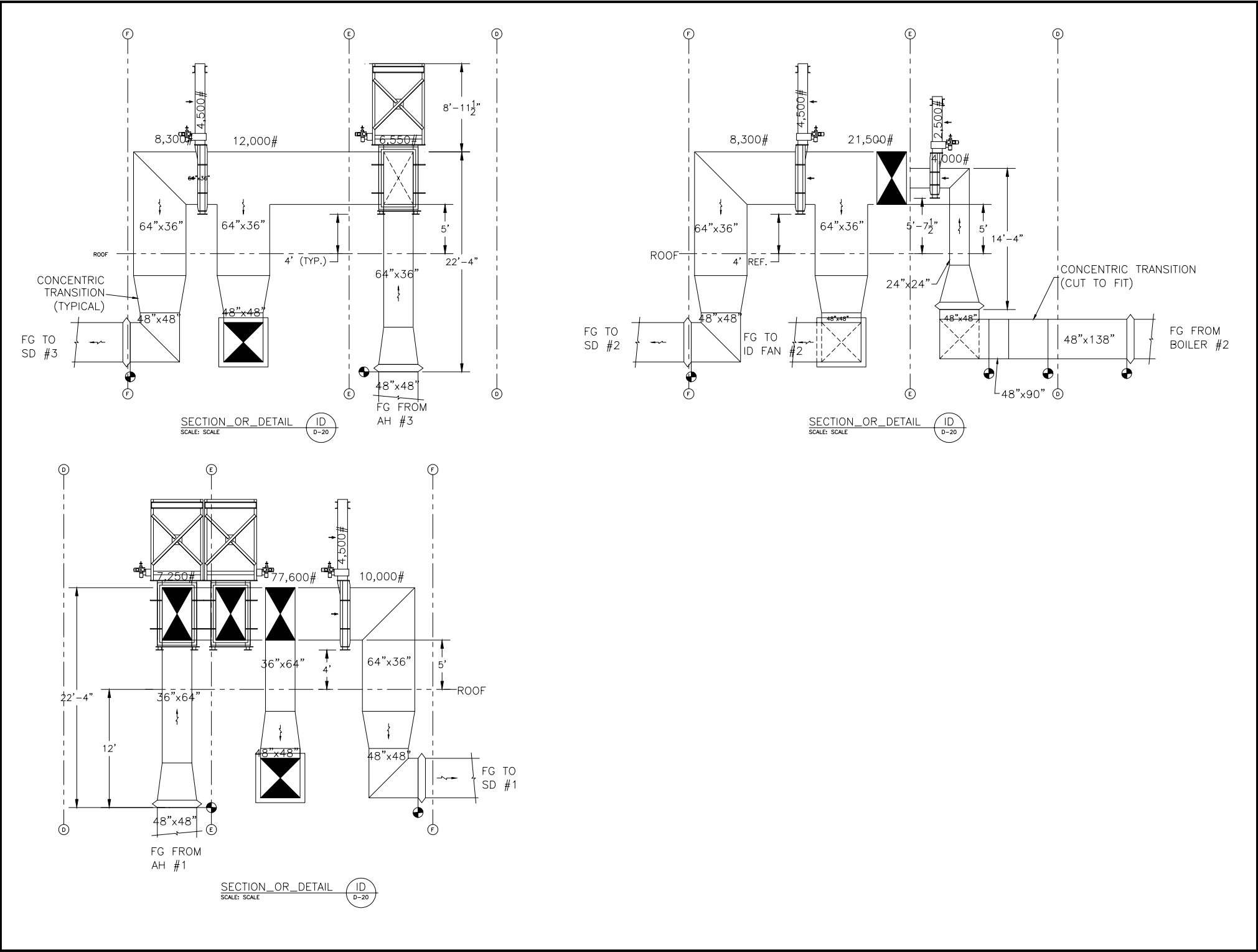


Figure D22. Detailed conceptual drawing of breeching modifications and combustion air ductwork for Options "A" and "B" (sections 2, 3, and 4).

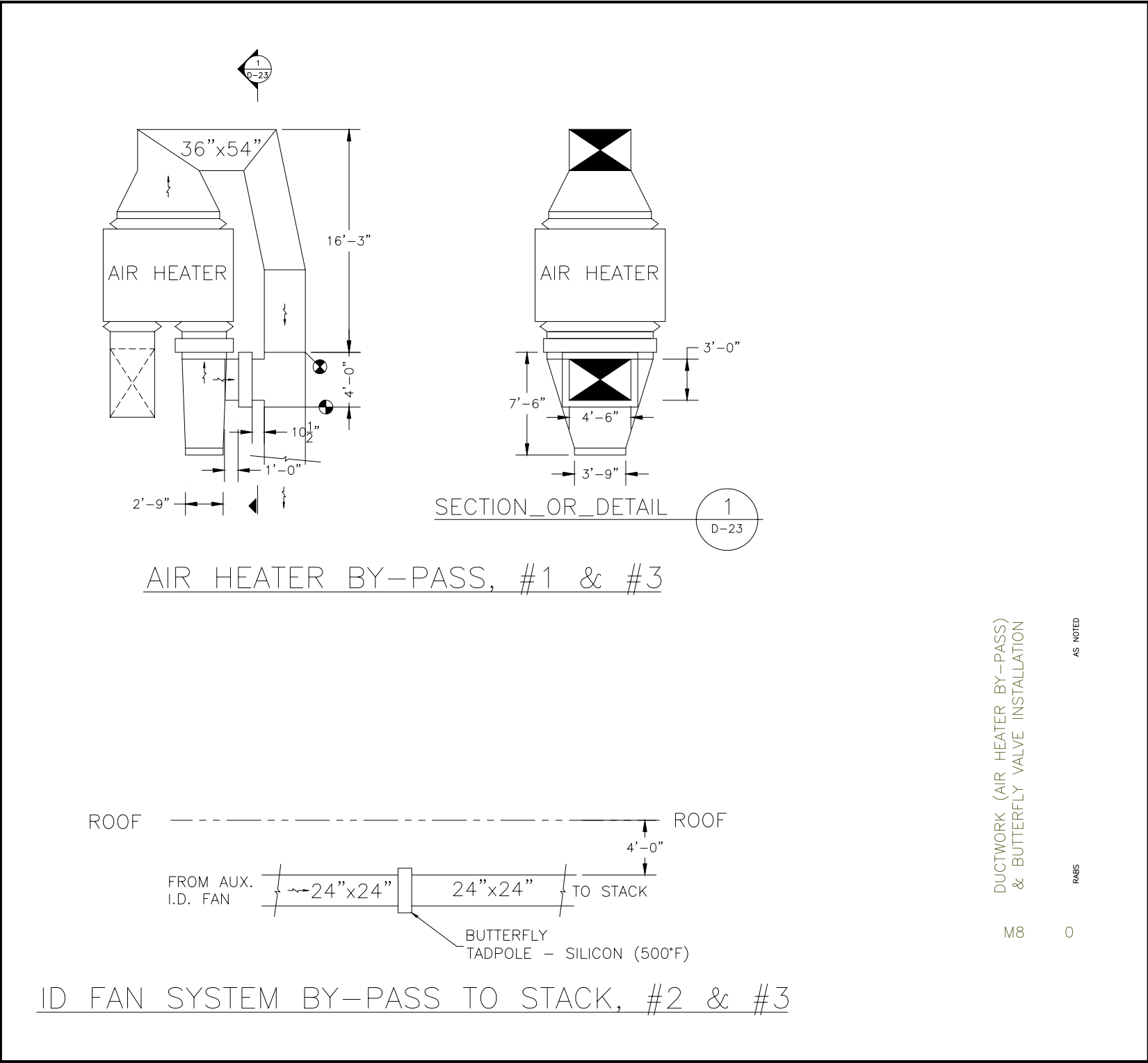


Figure D23. Detailed conceptual drawing of breeching modifications and combustion air ductwork, air heater bypass for Boilers No. 1 and No. 3., and ID fan system bypass to stacks of Boilers No. 2 and No. 3 Options "A" and "B".

Appendix E: Qualitative Emissions Test Results

Table E1. Emissions of flue gas from coal-fired Boiler No. 1 or No. 3, range of existing normal coal operation over capacity range.

| General | Units | Data Acquired By | USEPA Permit Limits | Lowest (Smallest) Load | Low (Small) Load | Average Load | Moderate (Winter) Load | High (Winter) Load | Very High (Winter) Load | USEPA Predicted Publication AP-42 | Comments |
|---|------------------------|-------------------------|---------------------|------------------------|------------------|--------------|------------------------|--------------------|-------------------------|-----------------------------------|--------------------|
| Heat Input | 10 ⁶ Btu/hr | (SAI) ¹ | 106 | 23.6 | 40.0 | 65.0 | 70.0 | 79.0 | 94.0 | 106 | |
| Heat Output | 10 ⁶ Btu/hr | Calculated | 85 | 18.9 | 32.1 | 52.1 | 56.1 | 63.3 | 75.4 | 85 | |
| % of Boiler Maximum Heat Input | % | Calculated | 100 | 22.3 | 37.7 | 61.3 | 66.0 | 74.5 | 88.7 | 100 | |
| Particulate | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Uncontrolled | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Boiler Outlet | lb/10 ⁶ Btu | (SAI) ¹ | None | 1.20 | 2.40 | 3.10 | 3.88 | 4.57 | 6.00 | 2.62 ² | |
| Boiler Outlet | lb/hr | Calculated | 4.0 | 28.32 | 96.00 | 201.50 | 271.60 | 361.03 | 564.00 | | Noncompliant |
| Partial Control | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Mechanical Dust Collector Outlet | lb/10 ⁶ Btu | (SAI) ¹ | None | 0.60 | 0.36 | 0.31 | 0.31 | 0.32 | 0.36 | | |
| Mechanical Dust Collector Outlet | lb/hr | Calculated | 4.0 | 14.16 | 14.40 | 20.15 | 21.70 | 25.28 | 33.84 | | Noncompliant |
| Total Control | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Baghouse Outlet (stack) | lb/10 ⁶ Btu | Some Test | None | 0.02 | 0.02 | 0.02 | 0.02 | 0.02 | 0.02 | 0.0048 ³ | |
| Baghouse Outlet (stack) | lb/hr | Calculated | 4.0 | 0.47 | 0.80 | 1.30 | 1.40 | 1.58 | 1.88 | | Compliant |
| Opacity | % | (Plant) ⁸ | 20 Max. | 5 | 5 | 5 | 5 | 5 | 5 | | Fog Affects Lenses |
| Nitrogen Oxides (NO & NO ₂) | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Uncontrolled | lb/10 ⁶ Btu | (SAI) ¹ | 0.50 | 0.50 | 0.60 | 0.73 | 0.86 | 0.89 | 0.90 | 0.44 ⁴ | Noncompliant |
| Controlled by Operation (Stack) | lb/10 ⁶ Btu | (SAI)/Test | 0.50 | 0.35 | 0.31 | 0.31 | 0.32 | 0.32 | 0.35 | 0.44 ⁴ | Compliant |
| Controlled by Operation (Stack) | lb/hr | Calculated | 53.0 | 8.26 | 12.40 | 20.15 | 22.40 | 25.28 | 32.90 | | Compliant |
| Controlled by Operation, O ₂ Dry Volume ⁶ | % | Test | | 7.5 | 5.4 | 4.1 | 4.2 | 2.7 | 2.5 | | |
| Controlled by Operation, O ₂ Wet Volume ⁷ | % | Test | | 7.1 | 5.1 | 3.8 | 3.9 | 2.5 | 2.3 | | |
| Sulfur Oxides as SO ₂ | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Uncontrolled | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Spray Dryer Inlet | lb/10 ⁶ Btu | Calculated ⁵ | 0.32 | 0.57 | 0.57 | 0.57 | 0.57 | 0.57 | 0.57 | | Noncompliant |
| Spray Dryer Inlet | lb/hr | Calculated | 33.9 | 13.45 | 22.80 | 37.05 | 39.90 | 45.03 | 53.58 | | Noncompliant |
| Controlled | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Spray Dryer, on line (stack) | lb/10 ⁶ Btu | (SAI)/Test | 0.32 | (0.288) | 0.192 | 0.192 | 0.192 | 0.192 | 0.192 | | Compliant |
| Spray Dryer, on line (stack) | lb/hr | Calculated | 33.9 | 6.80 | 7.68 | 12.48 | 13.44 | 15.17 | 18.05 | | Compliant |

Notes:

¹ Schmidt Associates, Inc. (SAI) estimates from 200 previous stack tests.

² AP-42 indicates 66 lb fly ash/ton coal = (66 lb fly ash/ton)/(2000 lb/ton) (12,575 Btu/lb.) = 66 lb/25.15 x 10⁶ Btu = 2.62 lb/10⁶ Btu

³ AP-42 indicates 0.12 lb fly ash/ton coal = (0.12 lb fly ash/ton)/(2000 lb/ton) (12,575 Btu/lb.) = 0.12 lb/25.15 x 10⁶ Btu = 0.0048 lb/10⁶ Btu

⁴ AP-42 indicates 11 lb NO_x/ton coal = (11 lb NO_x/ton)/(2000 lb/ton) (12,575 Btu/lb.) = 11 lb NO_x/25.15 x 10⁶ Btu = 0.44 lb/10⁶ Btu

⁵ lb of SO₂/10⁶ Btu = (10⁶ Btu/12,575 Btu/lb) (0.0036 S) (64 mol. wt. SO₂/32 mol. wt. S) = 0.57 lb SO₂/10⁶ Btu

⁶ Dry O₂ is measured with a portable instrument.

⁷ Wet O₂ is measured with the plant insitu analyzer.

⁸ Normal opacity is 1% to 2%.

Table E3. Emissions of flue gas from coal-fired Boiler No. 1 or No. 3, normal 5-hr coal start-up of existing equipment (a typical start-up cycle for most coal-fired boilers, *not* Malmstrom AFB's current operational start-up procedure).

| General | Units | Data Acquired By | USEPA Permit Limits | First Hour Average | Second Hour Average | Third Hour Average | Fourth Hour Average | Fifth Hour Average | Summation Over 5 Hours | Average Over 5 Hours | Comments |
|--|-------------------------------------|--------------------------|---------------------|--------------------|---------------------|--------------------|---------------------|--------------------|------------------------|----------------------|---------------|
| Heat Input | 10 ⁶ Btu/hr ¹ | (SAI) | 106 | 8.0 | 14.4 | 21.9 | 26.5 | 30.0 | 100.8 | 20.2 | |
| Heat Output | 10 ⁶ Btu/hr | (SAI) | 85 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 10.0 | 20.0 | 30.0 | 6.0 | |
| % of Boiler Maximum Heat Input | % ¹ | Calculated | 100 | 7.5 | 13.6 | 20.7 | 25.0 | 28.3 | N/A | 19.1 | |
| Particulate | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Uncontrolled | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Boiler Outlet | lb/10 ⁶ Btu | (SAI) ² | None | 1.67 | 1.89 | 2.10 | 2.31 | 2.58 | N/A | 2.23 | |
| Boiler Outlet | lb/hr | Calculated | 4.0 | 13.36 | 27.22 | 45.99 | 61.22 | 77.40 | 225.19 | 45.04 | Noncompliant |
| Partial Control | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Mechanical Dust Collector Outlet | lb/10 ⁶ Btu | (SAI) ² | None | 1.00 | 1.00 | 0.97 | 0.90 | 0.85 | N/A | 0.92 | |
| Mechanical Dust Collector Outlet | lb/hr | Calculated | 4.0 | 8.00 | 14.40 | 21.24 | 23.85 | 25.50 | 92.99 | 18.60 | Noncompliant |
| Total Control | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Baghouse Operation | | | | Bypass | Bypass | Bypass | On | On | | | |
| Baghouse Outlet (stack) | lb/10 ⁶ Btu | (SAI) ² /Test | None | 1.00 | 1.00 | .97 | .02 | .02 | N/A | 0.44 | |
| Baghouse Outlet (stack) | lb/hr | Calculated | 4.0 | 8.00 | 14.40 | 21.24 | 0.53 | 0.60 | 44.77 | 8.95 | Non Compliant |
| Opacity | % | (SAI) ⁷ | 20 Max. | 80 ⁷ | 60 ⁷ | 50 ⁷ | 5 ⁸ | 5 ⁸ | N/A | 40 | Non Compliant |
| Nitrogen Oxides (NO & NO ₂) | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Uncontrolled | lb/10 ⁶ Btu | (SAI) ² | 0.50 | 1.00 | 0.90 | 0.75 | 0.60 | 0.50 | N/A | N/A | Noncompliant |
| Controlled by Operation | lb/10 ⁶ Btu | (SAI) ² | 0.50 | 1.00 | 0.90 | 0.75 | 0.50 | 0.40 | N/A | 0.62 | Non Compliant |
| Controlled by Operation | lb/hr | Calculated | 53.0 | 8.00 | 12.96 | 16.43 | 13.25 | 12.00 | 62.64 | 12.53 | Compliant |
| Controlled by Operation, O ₂ Dry ⁴ | % | (SAI) ² | | 20.0 | 17.1 | 13.2 | 10.2 | 8.1 | N/A | 13.7 | |
| Controlled by Operation, O ₂ Wet ⁵ | % | (SAI) ² | | 19.5 | 16.5 | 12.5 | 9.5 | 7.5 | N/A | 13.1 | |
| Sulfur Oxides as SO ₂ | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Uncontrolled | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Spray Dryer Inlet | lb/10 ⁶ Btu | Calculated ³ | 0.32 | 0.57 | 0.57 | 0.57 | 0.57 | 0.57 | N/A | 0.57 | Noncompliant |
| Spray Dryer Inlet | lb/hr | Calculated | 33.9 | 4.56 | 8.21 | 12.48 | 15.11 | 17.10 | 57.46 | 11.49 | Compliant |
| Controlled | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Spray Dryer Operation | | | | Bypass | Bypass | Bypass | Partial | On | | | |
| Spray Dryer, (stack) | lb/10 ⁶ Btu | (SAI)/Test | 0.32 | 0.57 | 0.57 | 0.57 | 0.38 ⁶ | 0.192 | N/A | .41 | Non Compliant |
| Spray Dryer, (stack) | lb/hr | Calculated | 33.9 | 4.56 | 8.21 | 12.48 | 10.07 | 5.76 | 41.08 | 8.22 | Compliant |

Notes:

¹ Heat input is heat into: water, steel pressure parts (tubes & headers), refractory, insulation, casing, etc.
 ² Schmidt Associates, Inc. estimate from former start-ups.
 ³ lb of SO₂/10⁶ Btu = (10⁶ Btu/12,575 Btu/lb) (0.0036 S) (64 mol. wt. SO₂/32 mol. wt. S) = 0.57 lb SO₂/10⁶ Btu.
 ⁴ Dry O₂ is measured with a portable instrument.

⁵ Wet O₂ is measured with the plant insitu analyzer.
 ⁶ ½ hour with SD off (0.57 lb/SO₂/10⁶ Btu) and ½ hour with SD on at 0.192 lb SO₂/10⁶ Btu
 ⁷ SAI estimate from previous start-up at other plants.
 ⁸ Normal opacity is 1 to 2%.

Table E7. Option A: 3-hour Coal Start-up with revised breeching and ductwork; emissions of flue gas from one boiler (coal-fired Boiler No. 1 or No. 3 with natural gas Boiler No. 2 for warm-up).

| General | Units | Data Acquired By | USEPA Permit Limits | Natural Gas Only Warm-up | First Hour Coal & Natural Gas Average | Second Hour Coal & Natural Gas Average | Third Hour Coal & Natural Gas Average | Summation Over 3 Hours Coal & Natural Gas | Average Over 3 Hours Coal & Natural Gas | Comments |
|------------------------------------|------------------------|----------------------|---------------------|--------------------------|---------------------------------------|--|---------------------------------------|---|---|--------------|
| Coal Heat Input | 10 ⁶ Btu/hr | (SAI) | | 0 | 21.2 | 26.5 | 30.0 | 77.7 | 25.9 | |
| Natural Gas Heat Input | 10 ⁶ Btu/hr | (SAI) | | 38.0 | 38.0 | 38.0 | 38.0 | 114.0 | 38.0 | |
| Σ Coal & Natural Gas Heat Input | 10 ⁶ Btu/hr | Calculated | 106 | 38.0 | 59.2 | 64.5 | 68.0 | 191.7 | 63.9 | |
| Heat Output, Gas Boiler | 10 ⁶ Btu/hr | (SAI) | | | 30.0 | 30.0 | 30.0 | 90.0 | 30.0 | |
| Heat Output, Coal Boiler | 10 ⁶ Btu/hr | (SAI) | | | 0 | 10.0 | 20.0 | 30.0 | 10.0 | |
| Σ Total Heat Output | 10 ⁶ Btu/hr | Calculated | | | 30.0 | 40.0 | 50.0 | 120.0 | 40.0 | |
| Coal Flue Gas Temperature | °F | (SAI) | | 0 | 250 | 350 | 380 | N/A | N/A | |
| Coal Flue Gas Flow | lb/hr | (SAI) | | 0 | 43,830 ¹ | 40,670 ² | 38,890 ³ | N/A | N/A | |
| Natural Gas Flue Gas Temperature | °F | (SAI) | | 320 | 320 | 320 | 320 | N/A | N/A | |
| Natural Gas Flue Gas Flow | lb/hr | (SAI) | | 35,570 | 35,570 | 35,570 | 35,570 | N/A | N/A | |
| Coal & Natural Gas Flue Gas Temp. | °F | Calculated | | 320 | 281 | 336 | 351 | N/A | N/A | |
| Σ Coal & Natural Gas Flue Gas Flow | lb/hr | Calculated | | 35,570 | 79,400 | 76,240 | 74,460 | N/A | N/A | |
| Particulate Emissions | | | | | | | | | | |
| Baghouse Operation | | | | On | On | On | On | | | |
| Coal | lb/10 ⁶ Btu | Test | None | 0 | 0.020 | 0.020 | 0.020 | N/A | N/A | |
| Coal | lb/hr | Calculated | 4.0 | 0 | 0.424 | 0.530 | 0.600 | N/A | N/A | Compliant |
| Natural Gas | lb/10 ⁶ Btu | AP-42 | None | 0.002 | 0.002 | 0.002 | 0.002 | N/A | N/A | |
| Natural Gas | lb/hr | Calculated | 4.0 | 0.076 | 0.076 | 0.076 | 0.076 | N/A | N/A | Compliant |
| Combined (Coal & Natural Gas) | lb/10 ⁶ Btu | Calculated | None | 0.002 | 0.008 | 0.009 | 0.010 | N/A | 0.009 | |
| Combined (Coal & Natural Gas) | lb/hr | Calculated | 4.0 | 0.076 | 0.500 | 0.606 | 0.676 | 1.782 | 0.594 | Compliant |
| Opacity | % | (Plant) ⁵ | 20 Max. | 5 | 5 | 5 | 5 | N/A | 5 | Compliant |
| Nitrogen Oxides | | | | | | | | | | |
| Controlled by operation | | | | | No | Yes | Yes | | | |
| Coal | lb/10 ⁶ Btu | (SAI) | 0.50 | Off | 0.75 | 0.50 | 0.40 | N/A | N/A | Noncompliant |
| Coal | lb/hr | Calculated | 53.0 | Off | 15.90 | 13.25 | 12.00 | N/A | N/A | Compliant |
| Natural Gas | lb/10 ⁶ Btu | AP-42/Test | 0.50 | 0.10 | 0.10 | 0.10 | 0.10 | N/A | N/A | Compliant |
| Natural Gas | lb/hr | Calculated | 53.0 | 3.80 | 3.80 | 3.80 | 3.80 | N/A | N/A | Compliant |
| Combined (Coal & Natural Gas) | lb/10 ⁶ Btu | Calculated | 0.50 | 0.10 | 0.33 | 0.26 | 0.23 | N/A | 0.27 | Compliant |
| Combined (Coal & Natural Gas) | lb/hr | Calculated | 53.0 | 3.80 | 19.70 | 17.05 | 15.80 | 52.55 | 17.52 | Compliant |
| Sulfur Oxides | | | | | | | | | | |
| Spray Dryer, Chemical Feed | | | | Off | On | On | On | N/A | N/A | |
| Coal | lb/10 ⁶ Btu | Test | 0.32 | 0 | 0.278 | 0.18 | 0.18 | N/A | N/A | Compliant |
| Coal | lb/hr | Calculated | 33.9 | 0 | 5.894 | 4.770 | 5.400 | N/A | N/A | Compliant |
| Natural Gas ⁴ | lb/10 ⁶ Btu | AP-42 | 0.32 | 0.001 | 0.001 | 0.001 | 0.001 | N/A | N/A | Compliant |
| Natural Gas ⁴ | lb/hr | Calculated | 33.9 | 0.038 | 0.038 | 0.038 | 0.038 | N/A | N/A | Compliant |
| Combined Coal & Natural Gas | lb/10 ⁶ Btu | Calculated | 0.32 | 0.001 | 0.100 | 0.075 | 0.080 | N/A | 0.084 | Compliant |
| Combined Coal & Natural Gas | lb/hr | Calculated | 33.9 | 0.038 | 5.932 | 4.808 | 5.438 | 16.178 | 5.393 | Compliant |

Notes:

¹ (21.2 x 10⁶ Btu/hr) (1/12,575 Btu/lb of coal) (26.0 lb wet flue gas/lb coal at 13.2% O₂ dry) = 43,830 lb/hr wet flue gas flow.

² (26.5 x 10⁶ Btu/hr) (1/12,575 Btu/lb of coal) (19.3 lb wet flue gas/lb coal at 10.2% O₂ dry) = 40,670 lb/hr wet flue gas flow.

³ (30.0 x 10⁶ Btu/hr) (1/12,575 Btu/lb of coal) (16.3 lb wet flue gas/lb coal at 8.1% O₂ dry) = 38,890 lb/hr wet flue gas flow.

⁴ Due to the small amount of natural gas SO₂ emissions, assume no reduction through spray dryer.

⁵ Normal opacity is 1 to 2%.

Appendix F: Schmidt Associates, Inc. 1991 Letter to Ford Motor Company



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Reference: Existing Coal-Fired Spreader Stoker And Chain Grate Boilers
Start-Up Sequence At Ford Motor Company Cleveland Complex

Dear Mr. Bene':

My professional opinion has been requested concerning how rapidly the above referenced boilers can be started up.

These boilers operate at a 150 psig saturated steam condition. There are several issues which must be addressed on the start-up of these boilers so that they will not be destroyed mechanically or any unsafe condition(s) possibly exist during start-up.

1. A safe condition of start-up will allow sufficient time for the metal thickness in the drums (steam and mud) to heat up from the fire side to the water side. The possibility of creating excessive strains due to unequal heating of the drum thickness increases as start-up time is decreased. The mud drum is full of water and cools the inside of the drum metal at the same time the flue gas is heating up the outside of the drum metal. This time rate of metal heating must be limited or pressure part(s) failure will occur. The required time to meet this condition is approximately six (6) hours from a "cold" start-up or five (5) hours from a "hot" start-up (steam drum at 5 psig). When a cold boiler is hydrostatically pressure tested and tubes drip water where they meet the drums or headers, this is an indication (from past experiences) of too rapid a start-up.

Rapid start-up of boilers is an unsafe condition with respect to the ASME fired pressure parts. Rapid start-up of boilers can result in ruptured furnace tubes, eventual steam and mud drum failure, and can also be dangerous to operating personnel.

2. The furnace construction of the above boilers consists of carbon steel furnace tubes full of water which are exposed to the radiant heat of the flame. Directly behind these steel tubes is refractory material which also sees the radiant heat of the flame. After any boiler has been off-line for any extended period of time (5 days), the ambient air cools the carbon steel tubes to 80°F temperature. At initial start-up of

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the boiler, when fire is first lighted in the furnace, the carbon steel tubes are 80°F and increased in temperature to approximately 600°F without any steam production. The carbon steel should not be increased in temperature at a more rapid rate than 75°F per hour. The time to meet this requirement is:

$$\begin{aligned} 600^{\circ}\text{F} - 80^{\circ}\text{F} \text{ Divided by } 75^{\circ}\text{F} &= 6.93 \text{ Hours} \\ \text{Or, Approximately Seven (7) Hours} \end{aligned}$$

This must be a slow, uniform temperature increase. The refractory material behind the tubes will reach 1800° operating temperature which is increasing the refractory material at a rate of 246°F per hour. If the time is decreased from the above, there will be damage to the carbon steel tubes and refractory. The total life of these boilers will be reduced to approximately 25 to 30 years by forcing them on the line at the above rapid rate.

3. The same applies as in Item 1 above except that the time requirement for the tubes is:

$$\begin{aligned} 600^{\circ}\text{F} - 80^{\circ}\text{F} \text{ Divided by } 50^{\circ}\text{F}/\text{Hr.} &= 10.4 \text{ Hours} \\ \text{Or, Approximately 10 Hours} \end{aligned}$$

For the Refractory:

$$1800^{\circ}\text{F} - 80^{\circ}\text{F} \text{ Divided by } 10.4 \text{ Hours} = 165^{\circ}/\text{Hr Increase}$$

The life of these boilers would be extended 40 to 50 years under this start-up scenario of 50°F increase per hour of tube material.

4. After the above partial start-up time, the flue gas temperature must be increased at the economizer or air heater outlet to approximately 400°F by bypassing the flue gas around the baghouse or power "off" to the electrostatic precipitator (ESP)", and the steam flow from the boiler increased to approximately 35%, which will take approximately one (1) hour. Now the flue gases can enter the "cold" baghouse or the power started to the ESP, rapidly heating up the bags and carbon steel baghouse or ESP, and rapidly passing through the dew point temperature so as not to "blind" the bags or damage the ESP.
5. Historically boilers are not damaged during the normal day-to-day operation of the equipment. The life of a boiler is a direct relationship to the following:

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- a. Water Treatment Quality, which is Irrelevant to this discussion.
- b. Excess Airs and Velocity of Flue Gases Flowing Around The Tubes, which cause wear, and also Irrelevant to this discussion.
- c. Method of Starting Up a Boiler, which is extremely relevant to the above discussion.

From the time coal is first ignited in a boiler until the baghouse or ESP can be placed into operation is the following:

| | <u>25 - 30 Years Life</u> | <u>40 - 50 Years Life</u> |
|--|---------------------------|---------------------------|
| Warm Up Carbon Steel Tubes | 6.93 Hrs. | 10.4 Hrs. |
| Increase Flue Gas Temp. to 400°F | <u>1.0 Hr.</u> | <u>1.0 Hr.</u> |
| Flue Gas may now enter the Baghouse or ESP | 7.93 Hrs. | 11.4 Hrs. |

The remaining life of your existing boilers is twenty (20) to twenty-five (25) years for the 1950 units and forty (40) years or more for the 1970 unit. The reason these boilers have remaining life is because of the excellent care they have received, including during start-up. If the start-up time is reduced from the current 11.4 hours to 4 - 5 hours, the life of these existing boilers will be reduced to less than half of their remaining life. This would be a very unwise engineering decision as well as an unsafe one.

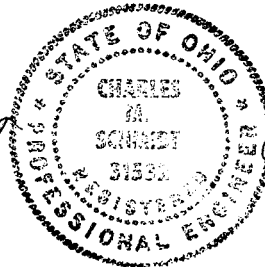
The boiler installed at the Ford Motor Company Cleveland Complex will exceed 20% stack opacity during the low temperature start-up. In view of the above explanation, the Ohio EPA limitation of three (3) hours of opacity greater than 20% is unreasonable, unsafe, and unattainable without damage to the boilers. If the 3-hour start-up is forced on the plant, then furnace tube failures should be expected, the metallurgical grain structure of the steel drums will change and potential personnel injury anticipated.

All of the information contained herein is my professional engineering opinion from experience of working with boilers for the last forty (40) years.

Very truly yours,

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Appendix G: Detailed Construction Cost Estimates

Opacity Monitor Modifications for All Options

| | | |
|--|--------------|------------------|
| New analyzer for boiler No. 2 | | \$30,200 |
| New analyzer installation | | \$10,000 |
| Blower Kit (heater) | | |
| 2/stack x 2 stacks x \$2,290 | | \$5,800 |
| Blower kit (heater) Installation | | \$2,000 |
| Purge Air Piping (typical for three analyzers) | | |
| Filter Mods | \$800 | |
| 75ft of 3-in. Sched 40 @ \$30/ft. | \$2,250 | |
| Roof Penetration w/curb | \$500 | |
| Misc. Fittings, etc. | <u>\$250</u> | |
| 3 @ a total of | \$3,800 = | \$11,400 |
| Extend Nipple | | |
| 3 @ \$750 each | | \$2,250 |
| Analyzer enclosure heating | | |
| 6 @ \$750 each | | \$4,500 |
| Calibration & Checkout | | <u>\$10,000</u> |
| Sub-Total | | \$76,150 |
| Mobilization | | <u>\$3,810</u> |
| Sub-Total | | \$79,960 |
| Overhead & Supervision (15 percent) | | <u>\$12,000</u> |
| Sub-Total | | \$91,960 |
| Profit (5 percent) | | \$4,600 |
| Contingency (10 percent) | | <u>\$9,240</u> |
| Total Opacity Monitor Modifications | | \$105,800 |

Combustion Air Revision for All Options

1. Air Heater Combustion Air Bypass for Flue Gas Temperature Control - Cost per Generator:

A. FD Fan Discharge Variable Static Pressure versus Heat Input

| | Material | Labor | Subtotal |
|---------------------------|----------|---------|----------|
| Pressure Transmitter | \$2,500 | \$750 | |
| Input Card to CPU | \$6,100 | \$750 | |
| Output Card | \$6,100 | \$750 | |
| Service Engineer (3 days) | | \$3,000 | |
| | \$14,700 | \$5,250 | \$19,950 |

B. Flue Gas Air Heater Discharge Constant Temperature

| | Material | Labor | Subtotal |
|---------------------------|----------|----------|----------|
| Damper No. 1 | \$10,600 | \$4,000 | |
| Ductwork | \$1,000 | \$1,200 | |
| Damper No. 2 | \$5,400 | \$4,000 | |
| Ductwork 3 x 3 x 20-ft | \$3,000 | \$3,200 | |
| Output Card | \$6,100 | | |
| I/P Converter (2) | \$600 | \$200 | |
| Service Engineer (3 days) | | \$3,000 | |
| Damper No. 3 | \$6,500 | \$4,000 | |
| Ductwork | | \$1,000 | |
| Flow Indicator | \$5,000 | | |
| I/P Converter (1) | \$300 | \$100 | |
| Service Engineer (3 days) | | \$3,000 | |
| | \$38,500 | \$23,700 | \$62,200 |
| | | | \$3,750 |

C. Service Engineer Travel Expenses

2. Air Heater Seals to Stop Air Infiltration to Flue Gas Side

| | Material | Labor | Subtotal |
|-------------|----------|----------|-----------|
| New Seals | \$9,500 | \$14,000 | |
| New Baskets | \$52,000 | \$28,000 | |
| | \$61,500 | \$42,000 | \$103,500 |

3. Combustion Air Ductwork

| | Material | Labor | Subtotal |
|---|----------|---------|-----------|
| Material 253 sq ft x 10.0 lb/ sq ft x \$1.30/lb = | \$3,290 | | |
| Labor 253 sq ft x 10.0 lb/ sq ft x \$1.30/lb = | | \$3,290 | |
| Sub-Total for 1, 2 and 3 for one generator | | | \$195,980 |
| Sub-Total for two generators | | | \$391,960 |
| Mobilization | | | \$19,600 |
| Sub-Total | | | \$411,560 |
| Overhead & Supervision (15 percent) | | | \$61,740 |
| Sub-Total | | | \$473,300 |
| Profit (5 percent) | | | \$23,670 |
| Contingency (10 percent) | | | \$47,330 |

Total Combustion Air Revision

\$544,300

Demolition for Options "A" & "B"

Boiler No. 3 - Flue Gas

| | |
|--|----------|
| Seal off area & wet down | \$5,000 |
| 712 sq ft at \$3.50/ sq ft (insulation) | \$2,500 |
| 712 sq ft at \$5.10/ sq ft (1/4-in.plate + 25 stif (steel) | \$3,631 |
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| | \$11,130 |

Boiler No. 2 - Flue Gas

| | |
|---|----------|
| Seal off area & wet down | \$40,000 |
| 2,987 sq ft at \$3.50/ sq ft (insulation) | \$10,600 |
| 2,987 sq ft at \$5.10/ sq ft (steel) | \$15,240 |
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| | \$65,840 |

Boiler No. 1 - Flue Gas

| | |
|--|---------|
| Seal off area & wet down | \$5,000 |
| 528 sq ft at \$3.50/ sq ft (insulation) | \$1,850 |
| 528 sq ft at \$5.10/ sq ft (1/4-in. plate + 25%) steel | \$2,700 |
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| | \$9,550 |

Boiler No. 2 - Combustion Air

| | |
|--|----------|
| Seal off area in No. 2 boiler flue gas above | |
| 1,266 sq ft at \$3.50/ sq ft (insulation) | \$4,500 |
| 1,266 sq ft at \$5.10/ sq ft (steel) | \$6,500 |
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| | \$11,000 |

Steel is breeching, stiffeners & hangers.

| | |
|--------------------------------------|-----------|
| Sub-Total No. 1 | \$97,520 |
| Mobilization | \$4,880 |
| Sub-Total No. 2 | \$102,400 |
| Overhead & Supvr. (15%) | \$15,400 |
| Sub-Total No. 3 | \$117,800 |
| Profit (5%) (sub-total No. 3) | \$5,900 |
| Contingency (10% of sub-total No. 3) | \$11,800 |
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Total Demolition **\$135,500**

Structural Roof for Options “A” and “B”

| | | Qty | Sq ft | lb/ft | lb | \$/lb (\$/ea) | \$ Cost |
|-------------------------------|---|-----|-------|-------|--------|---------------|-----------|
| 1. Roof Area Breeching | | | | | | | |
| A | Steel Posts – 6-in. Sch 80 | 19 | 6 | 28.57 | 3,257 | \$1.30 | \$4,240 |
| | 1/2-in. Plate Top & Bottom | 38 | 1 | 20.4 | 775 | \$1.50 | \$1,170 |
| B | 14-in. Beams (14-in. x 8-in.) | 5 | 28 | 53 | 7,420 | \$1.30 | \$9,650 |
| | | 2 | 12 | 53 | 1,272 | \$1.30 | \$1,660 |
| | | 2 | 18 | 53 | 1,908 | \$1.30 | \$2,480 |
| | | 1 | 25 | 53 | 1,325 | \$1.30 | \$1,730 |
| | | 1 | 30 | 53 | 1,590 | \$1.30 | \$2,070 |
| | | 1 | 16 | 53 | 848 | \$1.30 | \$1,110 |
| C | 10-in. Beams (10-in. x 8-in.) | 3 | 18 | 45 | 2,430 | \$1.30 | \$3,160 |
| | | 8 | 15 | 45 | 5,400 | \$1.30 | \$7,020 |
| D | 8-in. Beams (8-in. x 6-1/2-in.) | 8 | 12 | 28 | 2,688 | \$1.30 | \$3,500 |
| | | 4 | 6 | 28 | 672 | \$1.30 | \$880 |
| E | Subtotal | | | | 29,585 | | \$38,670 |
| F | Contingency @ 20% | | | | | | \$7,740 |
| G | Bracing @ 20% of Material & Contingency | | | | | | \$9,290 |
| H | Labor @ 100% of Material & Contingency | | | | | | \$46,410 |
| I | Pitch Pockets (Labor & Material) | 19 | | | | \$500.00 | \$9,500 |
| J | Connection to existing steel | 19 | | | | \$300.00 | \$5,700 |
| K | Access Platforms (Damper motors) | 8 | | | | \$3,000.00 | \$24,000 |
| L | Finish Paint (Labor & Material) | | | | | | \$3,000 |
| M | Crane (120 ft Jib), Billings, MT. | | | | | | |
| | *Travel (3-days) | 3 | | | | \$3,550.00 | \$10,650 |
| | *Set-up (1-day) | 1 | | | | \$3,550.00 | \$3,550 |
| | *Remove (1-day) | 1 | | | | \$3,550.00 | \$3,550 |
| | Usage (2-days) | 2 | | | | \$3,550.00 | \$7,100 |
| N | Sub-Total | | | | | | \$169,160 |
| O | Mobilization | | | | | | \$8,460 |
| P | Sub-Total | | | | | | \$177,620 |
| Q | Overhead & Supervision (15%) | | | | | | \$26,650 |
| R | Sub-Total | | | | | | \$204,270 |
| S | Profit (5%) | | | | | | \$10,220 |
| T | Contingency (10%) | | | | | | \$20,410 |
| U | Installed Steel Total Estimate | | | | | | \$234,900 |

* This same crane will be used for breeching and only the usage days will appear on breeching cost.

New Flue Gas Breeching for Options “A” and “B”

Control Dampers, Isolation Dampers & Expansion Joints

Breeching*Breeching area: 5,282 sq ft ¼-in.*

| | |
|---|-----------|
| Material 5,282 sq ft x (10.2 lb/sq ft + 25%) | |
| 67,345 lb x \$1.30 = | \$87,550 |
| Labor, normal | |
| 67,345 lb x \$1.50 = | \$101,020 |
| Premium labor (inside plant at roof area) | |
| (2,420 sq ft inside) (12.75 lb/ sq ft) (\$1.50) = | \$46,250 |

Insulation

| | |
|---|----------|
| 5,282 sq ft x \$15.00/ sq ft (labor & material) | |
| 60% labor | \$47,540 |
| 40% material | \$31,700 |
| Premium Labor (2,420 sq ft x \$5.00/sq ft) | |
| (inside plant at roof area) | \$12,100 |
| Weathertight lagging | |
| 5,282 sq ft x \$3.00/ft | |
| 70% labor | \$11,100 |
| 30% maintenance | \$4,800 |

Breeching tie-ins - welder 28 ft/day one pass (3 pass = 9.33 ft/day)

| | |
|---|---------|
| Boiler No. 1 48 x 48 4 x 4 ft = 16 ft x 3 x 2 x \$46.90 | \$4,500 |
| Boiler No. 2 48 x 48 | \$4,500 |
| Boiler No. 3 48 x 48 | \$4,500 |

Insulation Repair

| | |
|---|---------|
| Boiler No. 1 16 ft + 16 ft = 32 ft (\$70/ft.) | \$2,240 |
| Boiler No. 2 16 ft + 16 ft = 32 ft (\$70/ft.) | \$2,240 |
| Boiler No. 3 16 ft + 16 ft = 32 ft (\$70/ft.) | \$2,240 |

New Flue Gas Breeching (cont'd.)

| | Material | Labor |
|---|--------------------|--------------|
| Boiler No. 3 | | |
| - Damper 12 ft x 5 ft (CV3-1) Control Damper (I/P operation) | \$14,800 | |
| 12 ft + 12 ft + 5 ft + 5 ft = 34 ft x \$140/ft x (2 ends) | | \$9,500 |
| - Expansion Joint for CV3-1 | \$4,200 | |
| 12 ft + 12 ft + 5 ft + 5 ft = 34 ft x \$140/ft x (2 ends) | | \$9,500 |
| Boiler No. 1 | | |
| - Control Damper 12 ft x 5 ft for CV1-1 Pneumatic with I/P | \$14,800 | \$9,500 |
| - Expansion Joint | \$4,200 | \$9,500 |
| Boiler No. 3 Isolation Damper & Expansion Joint | | |
| 3 Isolation Dampers 4 ft x 4 ft (\$18,200 each) | \$54,600 | |
| Labor 4 ft x 4 ft = 16 ft x 3 dampers x \$140/ft (2 ends) | | \$13,440 |
| Rigging (labor) | | \$13,440 |
| 4 Expansion Joints 4 x \$2,100/each | \$8,400 | |
| 4 ft x 4 ft side = 16 ft x (4 expansion joints) x \$140/ft (2 ends) | | \$17,920 |
| Boiler No. 1 Isolation Damper | | |
| 3 Isolation Dampers | \$54,600 | |
| Labor | | \$13,440 |
| Rigging | | \$13,440 |
| Expansion Joint | \$8,400 | \$17,920 |
| Boiler No. 2 | | |
| CV - 24-in. x 24-in. (2 x 2 ft) | \$4,000 | |
| 2 ft x 4 ft = 8 ft x \$140/ft (2 ends) | | \$2,240 |
| Expansion Joint | \$1,600 | |
| 2 ft x 4 ft = 8 ft x \$140/ft (2 ends) | | \$2,240 |
| Isolation Damper | | |
| 1 damper = 4 ft x 4 ft (see boiler no. 3) including rigging | \$18,200 | \$8,960 |
| Expansion Joint (see boiler no. 3) | \$2,100 | \$4,480 |
| 2 dampers = 2 ft x 2 ft @ \$6,800/each | \$13,600 | |
| 2 ft x 4 ft x \$140/ft (2 ends) | | \$4,480 |
| Rigging | | \$4,480 |
| Subtotal | \$720,260 | |
| Mobilization | \$36,020 | |
| Subtotal | \$756,280 | |
| Overhead & Supervision (15%) | \$113,450 | |
| Subtotal | \$869,730 | |
| Profit (5%) | \$43,490 | |
| Contingency | \$86,980 | |
| Total Breeching | \$1,000,200 | |

One (1) New Sidewall Burner For Boiler No. 1 And Boiler No. 3 (Option “B”)

| | Material | Labor |
|---------------------------------------|------------------|-----------------|
| One (1) 25 MMBtu/hr Heat Input Burner | \$80,000 | \$10,000 |
| Startup services | | \$10,000 |
| Tube bending | \$17,000 | \$17,000 |
| Gas piping | \$2,400 | \$3,100 |
| HTHW flow switches | \$3,000 | \$2,500 |
| Additional safety valve | \$20,000 | \$10,000 |
| Hand control (manual) | \$2,500 | \$2,500 |
| Automatic I/P | \$600 | \$200 |
| Power and control wiring | \$3,000 | \$7,100 |
| Subtotals | \$128,500 | \$62,400 |
| Total material and labor (1 boiler) | \$190,900 | |
| Total material and labor (2 boilers) | \$381,800 | |
| Mobilization | \$19,090 | |
| Subtotal | \$400,890 | |
| Overhead supervision (15%) | \$60,140 | |
| Subtotal | \$461,030 | |
| Profit (5%) | \$23,060 | |
| Contingency (10%) | \$46,110 | |
| Total for burners | \$530,200 | |

Two (2) New Sidewall Burners for Boiler No. 1 And Boiler No. 3 (Option “C”)

| | Material | Labor |
|--|--------------------|------------------|
| Two (2) 25 MMBtu/hr Heat Input Burners | \$120,000 | \$20,000 |
| Startup Services (Burner) | | \$10,000 |
| Startup Services (Controls) | | \$10,000 |
| Tube Bending | \$34,000 | \$34,000 |
| Gas Piping | \$11,800 | \$8,700 |
| HTHW Flow Switches | \$3,000 | \$2,500 |
| Additional Safety Valve | \$20,000 | \$10,000 |
| Combustion Controls | \$25,000 | \$20,000 |
| Burner Cooling Ductwork & Fan | \$32,000 | \$37,200 |
| Power and Control Wiring | \$6,700 | \$14,800 |
| Subtotals | \$252,500 | \$167,200 |
| Total Material and Labor (1 Boiler) | \$419,700 | |
| Total Material and Labor (2 Boilers) | \$839,400 | |
| Mobilization | \$42,000 | |
| SubTotal | \$881,400 | |
| Overhead Supervision (15%) | \$132,200 | |
| Sub-Total | \$1,013,600 | |
| Profit (5%) | \$50,700 | |
| Contingency (10%) | \$101,400 | |
| Total for Burners | \$1,165,700 | |

Appendix H: Example Life-Cycle Cost Analysis for the Revised Operation

Life Cycle Cost Analysis Study: MAFBREV.LC

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Project no. FY & Title: Revised Operation

Installation & Location: Malmstrom AFB MONTANA

Design Feature:

Alternative:

Name of Designer:

Basic Input Data Summary

Criteria Reference: OMB Circular A-94

Discount Rate: 2.85 %

Key Project-Calendar Information

Date of Study (DOS) Dec-01

Midpoint of Construction (MPC) Dec-01

Beneficial Occupancy (BOD) Dec-01

Analysis End Date (AED) Dec-26

| ===== | | | |
|--------------------------|-----------|--------------|--------------|
| Cost/Benefit Description | Cost in | Equivalent | Time(s) Cost |
| | DOS \$ | Uniform | Incurred |
| | | Differential | |
| | | Escalation | |
| | | Rate | |
| ===== | | | |
| Investment Costs | \$650,100 | 0.00% | Dec01 |
| Electricity | \$30,030 | -0.66% | Jun02-Jun26 |
| Electric Demand | \$0 | -0.66% | Jun02-Jun26 |

| | | | | |
|----------------------|--|-----------|--------|-------------|
| Natural Gas | | \$248,880 | 0.77% | Jun02-Jun26 |
| Coal | | \$717,561 | -0.85% | Jun02-Jun26 |
| O&M Labor | | \$845,000 | 2.20% | Jun02-Jun26 |
| Ash Disposal | | \$97,952 | 2.20% | Jun02-Jun26 |
| Lime | | \$9,316 | 2.20% | Jun02-Jun26 |
| Maintenance Material | | \$90,000 | 2.20% | Jun02-Jun26 |

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Other Key Input Data

Location - MONTANA

Census Region: 4

Rates for INDUSTRIAL Sector

Tables From: Apr-99

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| Energy Type | Unit Cost | Consumption | Projected |
|-----------------|----------------|---------------------|-------------|
| Electricity | \$11.92 /MBtus | 2519.27001953 MBtus | Jun02-Jun26 |
| Electric Demand | N/A | \$0.00E+00K | Jun02-Jun26 |
| Natural Gas | \$8.90 /MBtus | 27964 MBtus | Jun02-Jun26 |
| Coal | \$2.88 /MBtus | 249153 MBtus | Jun02-Jun26 |

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Life Cycle Cost Totals

Construction/Acquisition
\$650,100

Costs

| | | | | |
|---------------------------------------|-------------------------|---|--------------|----------|
| Energy Costs | | | | |
| \$17,079,092 | | | | |
| Electricity | | | | |
| \$493,284 | | | | |
| Natural Gas | | | | |
| \$5,000,817 | | | | |
| Coal | | | | |
| \$11,584,991 | | | | |
| Water Costs | | | | |
| \$0 | | | | |
| Routine M&R/Custodial Costs | | | | |
| \$2,156,794 | | | | |
| Major | Replacement/Replacement | | | Costs |
| \$0 | | | | |
| Other | Costs | & | Monetary | Benefits |
| \$22,820,491 | | | | |
| Other Pre-occupancy Costs/Benefits | | | | \$0 |
| Net Disposal Costs or Retention Value | | | | \$0 |
| Other Capital Costs/Benefits | | | | \$0 |
| Other Operational Costs/Benefits | | | \$22,820,491 | |
| LCC of all Costs/Benefits (Net PW) | | | \$42,706,477 | |

*Net PW Equivalents on Dec 01; in Single Dollars; in Constant Dec 01 Dollars

*Energy Escalation Rates from NIST Handbook 135 Supplement dated Apr 99

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Alternative:

Name of Designer:

Fuel and NonFuel Escalation Values

Location - MONTANA Census Region: 4

Rates for INDUSTRIAL Sector

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| FY | Electricity | Natural Gas | Coal | O&M Labor | Ash Disposal | Lime | Maintenance |
|------|-------------|-------------|--------|-----------|--------------|-------|-------------|
| 1999 | -1.03% | 3.79% | -0.72% | 2.50% | 2.50% | 2.50% | 2.50% |
| 2000 | -1.19% | 3.28% | -0.72% | 2.50% | 2.50% | 2.50% | 2.50% |
| 2001 | 1.80% | 3.18% | -0.73% | 2.50% | 2.50% | 2.50% | 2.50% |
| 2002 | 1.40% | 3.42% | -1.47% | 2.50% | 2.50% | 2.50% | 2.50% |
| 2003 | -1.02% | 2.32% | -0.75% | 2.50% | 2.50% | 2.50% | 2.50% |
| 2004 | -2.93% | 2.27% | 0.00% | 2.50% | 2.50% | 2.50% | 2.50% |
| 2005 | -2.42% | 2.53% | -1.50% | 2.50% | 2.50% | 2.50% | 2.50% |
| 2006 | -2.56% | 0.93% | -0.76% | 2.50% | 2.50% | 2.50% | 2.50% |
| 2007 | -1.35% | 0.31% | -0.77% | 2.50% | 2.50% | 2.50% | 2.50% |
| 2008 | -0.08% | 0.00% | -1.55% | 2.50% | 2.50% | 2.50% | 2.50% |
| 2009 | -0.40% | -0.30% | -0.79% | 2.50% | 2.50% | 2.50% | 2.50% |
| 2010 | -1.30% | -0.61% | -0.79% | 2.50% | 2.50% | 2.50% | 2.50% |
| 2011 | -0.98% | -0.92% | -1.60% | 2.50% | 2.50% | 2.50% | 2.50% |
| 2012 | -0.83% | -0.62% | -0.81% | 2.50% | 2.50% | 2.50% | 2.50% |
| 2013 | -0.17% | 0.00% | -1.64% | 2.50% | 2.50% | 2.50% | 2.50% |
| 2014 | -0.25% | 0.31% | -0.83% | 2.50% | 2.50% | 2.50% | 2.50% |
| 2015 | -0.25% | 0.31% | -0.84% | 2.50% | 2.50% | 2.50% | 2.50% |
| 2016 | -0.50% | 0.31% | -0.85% | 2.50% | 2.50% | 2.50% | 2.50% |
| 2017 | 0.34% | 0.62% | -1.71% | 2.50% | 2.50% | 2.50% | 2.50% |
| 2018 | -0.84% | 0.92% | -0.87% | 2.50% | 2.50% | 2.50% | 2.50% |

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|------|--------|-------|--------|-------|-------|-------|-------|
| 2019 | -0.76% | 0.91% | -0.88% | 2.50% | 2.50% | 2.50% | 2.50% |
| 2020 | -0.17% | 0.60% | -0.89% | 2.50% | 2.50% | 2.50% | 2.50% |
| 2021 | 0.00% | 0.60% | -0.89% | 2.50% | 2.50% | 2.50% | 2.50% |
| 2022 | 0.00% | 0.60% | -0.90% | 2.50% | 2.50% | 2.50% | 2.50% |
| 2023 | 0.00% | 0.89% | 0.00% | 2.50% | 2.50% | 2.50% | 2.50% |
| 2024 | 0.00% | 0.59% | -0.91% | 2.50% | 2.50% | 2.50% | 2.50% |
| 2025 | 0.00% | 0.58% | -0.92% | 2.50% | 2.50% | 2.50% | 2.50% |
| 2026 | 0.00% | 0.58% | -0.93% | 2.50% | 2.50% | 2.50% | 2.50% |

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Routine M&R/Custodial Costs

Annual Value: Maintenance Material

Escalation Value: Maintenance Material

Major Repair and Replacement Costs

Other Operational Costs and Benefits

Annual Value: O&M Labor

Escalation Value: O&M Labor

Annual Value: Ash Disposal

Escalation Value: Ash Disposal

Annual Value: Lime

Escalation Value: Lime

Life Cycle Cost Analysis Study: MAFBREV.LC

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Design Feature:

Alternative:

Name of Designer:

Year-By-Year Breakdown of Life Cycle Costs

Costs Shown in Dollars

Pre-Occupancy Costs:

Construction/Acquisition \$650,100

Other Pre-Occupancy \$0

Beneficial Occupancy Date: Dec-01

Annual Payments occur: Jun-02 through Jun-26

| ===== | | | | | | |
|-------|-------------|-------------|-----------|-------------|---------|-----|
| Pay | Electricity | Natural Gas | Coal | Operational | Capital | |
| === | ===== | ===== | ===== | ===== | ===== | |
| 1 | \$29,856 | \$249,377 | \$704,083 | \$1,040,493 | | \$0 |
| 2 | \$29,317 | \$250,321 | \$675,329 | \$1,036,952 | | \$0 |
| 3 | \$28,123 | \$249,005 | \$652,529 | \$1,033,423 | | \$0 |
| 4 | \$26,565 | \$247,697 | \$632,847 | \$1,029,907 | | \$0 |
| 5 | \$25,198 | \$246,281 | \$606,815 | \$1,026,402 | | \$0 |
| 6 | \$23,922 | \$241,426 | \$585,490 | \$1,022,909 | | \$0 |
| 7 | \$22,994 | \$235,334 | \$564,143 | \$1,019,428 | | \$0 |
| 8 | \$22,327 | \$228,696 | \$540,702 | \$1,015,959 | | \$0 |
| 9 | \$21,588 | \$221,567 | \$521,574 | \$1,012,502 | | \$0 |
| 10 | \$20,729 | \$213,998 | \$502,412 | \$1,009,056 | | \$0 |
| 11 | \$19,961 | \$206,252 | \$481,313 | \$1,005,622 | | \$0 |
| 12 | \$19,269 | \$199,498 | \$463,524 | \$1,002,200 | | \$0 |
| 13 | \$18,701 | \$194,071 | \$443,895 | \$998,789 | | \$0 |
| 14 | \$18,137 | \$189,283 | \$427,993 | \$995,391 | | \$0 |
| 15 | \$17,583 | \$184,611 | \$412,632 | \$992,003 | | \$0 |
| 16 | \$17,033 | \$180,145 | \$397,219 | \$988,628 | | \$0 |
| 17 | \$16,584 | \$176,326 | \$380,149 | \$985,263 | | \$0 |
| 18 | \$15,991 | \$173,020 | \$366,396 | \$981,910 | | \$0 |
| 19 | \$15,444 | \$169,677 | \$353,113 | \$978,569 | | \$0 |
| 20 | \$14,995 | \$165,971 | \$340,286 | \$975,239 | | \$0 |
| 21 | \$14,580 | \$162,340 | \$327,898 | \$971,920 | | \$0 |
| 22 | \$14,175 | \$158,861 | \$316,416 | \$968,612 | | \$0 |

| | | | | | | |
|-------|------|-----------|-------------|--------------|--------------|-------|
| | 23 | \$13,783 | \$155,756 | \$307,180 | \$965,316 | \$0 |
| | 24 | \$13,401 | \$152,330 | \$295,949 | \$962,031 | \$0 |
| | 25 | \$13,029 | \$148,974 | \$285,104 | \$958,758 | \$0 |
| | ==== | ===== | ===== | ===== | ===== | ===== |
| | Sum | \$493,284 | \$5,000,817 | \$11,584,991 | \$24,977,285 | \$0 |
| ===== | | | | | | |

Appendix I: Summary of Air Pollution Control Methods Used by Other DOD/Government Facilities That Burn Coal

Illinois (Rock Island Arsenal)

Description of Heat Plant: The central heat plant is located in Building 227 and is centrally located in the main manufacturing and administrative complex and operates year round to provide steam for heating, cooling, and process needs. Total steam capacity is about 400,000 lb/hr at 135 psig saturated steam. The plant has four (4) coal-fired boilers; each boiler has a maximum firing rate of 100, 100, 125, and 75 MMBtu/hr respectively. Particulate emissions from each boiler are initially ducted to a multicyclone that reduces particulates prior to entering the baghouse. Emissions are then ducted to one of two baghouses. The bags in the baghouses are the standard woven glass with 10 percent by weight Teflon B finish and replaced every five (5) years.

State EPA/Permit Requirements for Startup and Shutdown: Title 35 of the Illinois Administrative Code (IAC) 201.149 requires that a current operating permit allow for operations during startup. The facility currently operates under an operating permit that states the operation of the boilers in excess of the applicable emissions standards during startup is allowed. Also, IAC 201.261 provides the content requirements for a request to operate during startup. These requirements are met by the information provided in Form 203-CAAP, "Request To Operate During Startup of Equipment."

Rules and Requirements That May Be Violated During Continued Operation During Startup and Shutdown, and the Associated Regulated Air Pollutants: IAC 216.121, which limits CO emissions, maybe violated during startup. CO emissions are expected to increase because combustion is not complete during this time. All other emissions (SO_x, NO_x, opacity, and particulates) are not expected to exceed any limits. It is estimated that emissions through the startup period are approximately the same as those experienced during operations of the

boiler in the baghouse bypass mode. IAC 212.202, which limits particulate emissions, may be violated during malfunction, if the baghouses are not operating properly. However, some malfunctions may not result in excess emissions.

Facility Measures Taken To Minimize Startup Emissions: The baghouse, that controls particulate emissions, is engaged during startup. In addition, emissions from each boiler are first ducted to a multicyclone, which reduces particulate emissions ducted to the baghouses. The plant ensures the coal is spread over entire grate before lighting to reduce warm-up time to a minimum of 3 to 4 hours. Stack emissions are also observed and draft fans are adjusted to minimize opacity. The plant will adjust the boiler stoker throws and operate the coal feed latches intermittently by hand to keep the coal from piling on the grates. If clinkering or piling of coal occurs, the operators will break up the clinkers or piles with a slag bar. Operators will observe the fire and start the overfire fan as soon as possible to reduce the startup time to a minimum. Operators will let the ash build up on the grate to a 1.5-inch thickness to prevent improper ignition of coal. In addition, operators will add additional modules as soon as temperatures in compartments and the outlet duct will permit.

Measures Taken To Minimize the Frequency of Startups: The plant will operate the boilers to 80 percent of its design heating load before starting an additional boiler. Once a boiler is brought on-line, it is normally kept in operation throughout the heating season. Boiler and baghouse breakdowns are minimized through good preventative maintenance and annual inspections, and other periodic inspections.

North Carolina (Marine Corps Base, Camp Lejeune)

Description of Heat Plant: The coal-fired heat plant on Camp Lejeune coal consists of five (5) separate boilers. Four of the boilers (ID Nos. 01, 02, 03, 04) burn coal or No.2 fuel oil; each boiler has a maximum heat input of 114.5 MMBtu/hr. One boiler (ID No. 05) burns No. 2 fuel oil and natural gas and has a maximum heat input of 95 MMBtu/hr. The plant's air pollution control device for boiler No. 5 is a flue gas recirculation system. For boilers No. 01, 02, 03, and 04, the plant uses two single-stage (three-cell), dry type electrostatic precipitators in series with four multicyclones and two ash collection systems. Each ash system consists of one wet scrubber installed in series with two cyclones installed in series with one ash collection silo. The plant also operates one No. 2 oil-fired emergency generator.

State EPA/Permit Requirements for Startup and Shutdown: Title 15A North Carolina Administrative Code (NCAC), Subchapter 2D was recently amended by declaring that the excess emissions during startup and shutdown are in violation unless the owner or operator can demonstrate that excess emissions are unavoidable. ... The owner or operator shall, to the extent practicable, operate the source and any associated air pollution control equipment or monitoring equipment in a manner consistent with best practicable air pollution control practices to minimize emissions during startup and shutdown.

Rules and Requirements That May Be Violated During Continued Operation During Startup and Shutdown, and the Associated Regulated Air Pollutants:
None

Facility Measures Taken To Minimize Startup Emissions: The plant limits startups on their coal-fired boilers. When the plant is warming up the ESP's, opacity is kept below 20 percent with air and fuel monitoring until the unit has fully warmed up. When the ESP's reach the minimum temperature, the cells are engaged to remove as much particulate matter as possible until the units are fully operational. If a boiler is needed for an emergency situation, the facility will engage the No. 5 unit on No. 2 fuel oil or natural gas. These emergency steps will reduce emissions until the coal-fired boiler can be restarted.

Measures Taken To Minimize the Frequency of Startups: Boilers are put on-line only when needed. They are in continuous operation until it is necessary for them to be shutdown due to repairs, maintenance, or when the heating load is reduced to justify a shutdown.

Ohio (Wright-Patterson Air Force Base)

Description of Heat Plant (Building 20770): The heat plant has three (3) 183 MMBtu/hr coal-fired steam boilers and two (2) 96 MMBtu/hr natural gas-fired steam boilers. The coal-fired boilers are operated at 400 PSIG that feed two 400 to 125 pressure-reducing stations that feed area "B" of the base. The heat plant is not allowed to burn coal during the months of June, July, and August, only gas. The plant uses pulse jet filter bag houses for the coal-fired boilers to control particulates. Make up water is supplied by a reverse osmosis system.

State EPA/Permit Requirements for Startup and Shutdown: Ohio Administrative Code, (OAC), Chapter 3745-31, governs the terms and conditions of plant operation. "To obtain an exemption from the visible emissions limitations specified in OAC rule 3745-17-07(A), the permittee shall operate and maintain a tem-

perature monitor that measures the temperature of the boiler exhaust gases entering the baghouse (a) during all periods of startup ... until the inlet temperature of the baghouse achieves a temperature of 350 degrees Fahrenheit (b) during all periods until the baghouse temperature drops below 350 degrees Fahrenheit. The permit states that all three (3) boilers must meet the following emissions limitations:

Particulate emissions will not exceed 0.10 lb/MMBtu actual heat input

Sulfur dioxide (SO₂) emissions will not exceed 2.00 lb/MMBtu actual heat input

Nitrogen oxide (NO_x) emissions will not exceed 0.60 lb/MMBtu actual heat input

Testing to demonstrate compliance with allowable emission rates is done every three years, and is completed while the emissions unit is operating at the maximum allowable capacity. The facility is also required to provide, to the Ohio EPA District Office, a written quality assurance/quality control plan for their continuous monitoring equipment.

Rules and Requirements That May Be Violated During Continued Operation During Startup and Shutdown, and the Associated Regulated Air Pollutants:
None

Facility Measures Taken To Minimize Startup Emissions: The facility cannot engage the baghouse when the inlet temperature is below 350 degrees Fahrenheit; therefore the facility achieves that temperature as quickly as possible. According to operational procedures, the facility achieves an inlet temperature of 250 degrees Fahrenheit as quickly as possible and then increases boiler outlet temperature no quicker than 75 degrees Fahrenheit per hour after that. With the flue gas oxygen content held under 10 percent, the facility can engage the baghouse as soon as they obtain 350 degrees Fahrenheit on the baghouse inlet.

Measures Taken To Minimize the Frequency of Startups: Emergency startups due to mechanical failure are lowered by a good preventative maintenance program that is constantly updated as experience shows them what should be accomplished and how often. They start with manufacture's recommendations and then modify the tasks according to the machinery's characteristics. They also had a stack plume air flow outlet study performed to get their maximum output raised from 150 MMBtu/hr to 169 MMBtu/hr. This increase in heat output allowed the base to provide more steam without having to put another boiler on line, thus potentially saving another startup.

Texas (Red River Army Depot)

Description of Heat Plant: The central heating plant has three (3) Voigt coal/wood-fired steam boilers each rated at 50,000 lb/hr. The steam is used for process operations and comfort heating requirements.

State EPA/Permit Requirements for Normal Operation, and Startup and Shutdown: Section 382.0518 of the Texas Clean Air Act, Texas Health, and Safety Code, Chapter 382, and 30 Texas Administrative Code Section 116.116(c), imposes the following emissions limitations:

Particulate emissions will not exceed 0.10 lb/MMBtu actual heat input

Sulfur dioxide (SO₂) emissions will not exceed 1.20 lb/MMBtu actual heat input

Nitrogen oxide (NO_x) emissions will not exceed 0.70 lb/MMBtu actual heat input

Testing to demonstrate compliance with allowable emission rates is completed while the emissions units are operating at the maximum firing rates. The Texas Natural Resource Conservation Commission (TNRCC) can request a test at any time. The facility is also required to demonstrate, through calculations, SO₂ emissions based on: percent sulfur in coal, feed rates, AP42 emission factors, and MMBtu/hr.

In addition, the following table lists the maximum allowable emission rates, by source of contaminants, for each boiler: (Emission rates extracted from permit)

| Contaminant | Emission Rate (lb/hr) |
|-----------------|-----------------------|
| Particulates | 6.0 |
| Nox | 42.0 |
| SO ₂ | 72.0 |

Demonstration of compliance with emission standards in special Condition No. 2 (SO₂ emissions) and the maximum emission allowable rates (as stated above) shall be performed in accordance with calculation methodology (% sulfur content of coal, lb/hr feed rate, MMBtu/hr) represented in permit alteration correspondence dated 28 November 2000. This correspondence has no reference to these calculations during boiler startup or shutdown. The plant is, however, required to report any upset conditions to the TNRCC.

Rules and Requirements That May Be Violated During Continued Operation During Startup and Shutdown, and the Associated Regulated Air Pollutants:
None

Facility Measures Taken To Minimize Startup Emissions: The plant ensures a proper feed rate and controlled air settings. Wood is burned during startup to lower SO₂ emissions.

Measures Taken to Minimize the Frequency of Startups: The plant ensures proper operations of all equipment. The plant also implements an effective preventive maintenance schedule.

U.S. Capital (Washington, DC)

Description of Heat Plant: The U.S. Capital Heat Plant has seven (7) boilers. Boilers 1, 2, and 3 each have a capacity of 160K lb/hr @ 200 psig saturated steam. Boilers 1 and 2 burn coal (spreader stoker with traveling grate), and are co-fired with natural gas. They use a cyclone mechanical dust collector and baghouse is used for pollution control. Boiler 3 is fueled by natural gas and No. 2 fuel oil; it uses a cyclone mechanical dust collector for pollution control. Boilers 4 – 7 each have a capacity of 50K lb/hr @ 200 psig saturated steam and burn No. 2 fuel oil.

District EPA/Permit Requirements for Startup and Shutdown: Chapter 3, Operating Permits, of Title 20 of the District of Columbia Municipal Regulations (20 DCMR) describes the requirements and limitations for operation. The permit states that all seven (7) boilers must meet the following emissions limitations:

| Boiler | Particulates (lb per MMBtu) | Opacity | NOx (lb per MMBtu) |
|------------|--------------------------------|---------------------|-----------------------|
| Nos. 1 & 2 | 0.05 (a) | 10%/40%/15%/30% (b) | 0.43/0.7/0.4/0.35 (c) |
| No. 3 | N/A | 10%/40%/15%/30% (b) | 0.2 |
| Nos. 4 - 7 | N/A | 10%/40%/15%/30% (b) | 0.25/0.30 (d) |

Compliance is measured when the flue gas from the two boilers is exhausted through the baghouse.

The opacity limit of 10 percent (unaveraged) can be exceeded under the following conditions: 40 percent (unaveraged) for two minutes per hour and for an aggregate of twelve minutes per 24-hour period other than during startup. During startup, 40 percent (averaged over six minutes) up to five times per startup.

During shutdown, 15 percent (unaveraged) with 30 percent (averaged over three minutes) up to three times per shutdown.

The NO_x emission limit of 0.43 lb per MMBtu based on a calendar day average; 0.70 lb per MMBtu is based on a two-hour average, and 0.40 lb per MMBtu from May to Oct. The plant should use its best efforts to meet 0.35 lb/MMBtu.

The NO_x emission limit of 0.25 lb per MMBtu based on a calendar day average; 0.30 lb per MMBtu is based on a two-hour average.

Rules and Requirements That May Be Violated During Continued Operation During Startup and Shutdown, and the Associated Regulated Air Pollutants:
None

Facility Measures Taken To Minimize Startup Emissions: For boilers 1 and 2, the plant only uses natural gas for startup. For boilers 3 – 7, the plant does not take any added measures to minimize emissions. The baghouses are also engaged at the beginning of each startup to minimize opacity and particulate emissions.

Measures Taken To Minimize the Frequency of Startups: The plant, through the use of historical data, forecasts load fluctuations to minimize the need to startup new boilers. They also have an excellent maintenance program and strive to leave boilers on-line for extended periods of time.

Summary of Coal-Fired Boilers

| Location | Type of Coal Feeder | Air Pollution Control Method During Steady State | Air Pollution Control Method During Startup | Average No. of Times Per Year Each Boiler Starts Up | Maximum Percent of Sulfur in Coal/Oil |
|---|---|--|--|---|---------------------------------------|
| Illinois (Rock Island Arsenal) | Spreader-stoker & traveling grate | Cyclone mechanical dust collector and baghouse | Cyclone mechanical dust collector and baghouse | 1 | Coal: 1.4% |
| Montana (Malmstrom Air Force Base) | Spreader-Stoker | Scrubber and baghouse once flue gas temp reach 350 °F | Engaging the baghouse as quickly as the manufacturer's limitations and permit rules allow | 5-6 | Coal: 1.0% |
| North Carolina (Marine Corps Base, Camp Lejeune) | Stock brand feeders with a variable drive belt system | Flue gas recirculation, electrostatic precipitator with a multicyclone, an ash collector with wet scrubber and cyclone, and ash collection silo. | Opacity is kept below 20% with air and fuel monitoring. When ESP's reach min. temp, cells are engaged until the units are fully operational. | 6 | Oil: < 0.5% Coal: < 1.3% |
| Ohio (Wright-Patterson Air Force Base) | Detroit Stoker: Overthrow spreader stokers | Pulse jet filter bag house once flue gas temp reach 350 °F | Engaging the baghouse as quickly as the manufacturer's limitations and permit rules allow | < 3 | Coal: 0.85% to 1.3% |
| Texas (Red River Army Depot) | Detroit Spreader Stoker Reciprocating Feeder | Baghouse filters for each boiler | Proper feed rate and correct air settings | 15 to 20 | Coal: 0.69% |
| U.S. Capital (Washington, DC) | Spreader-Stoker | Cyclone mechanical dust collector and baghouse | Cyclone mechanical dust collector and baghouse | 2 | Coal: 1.0% |

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